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DISPATCH NO. HMMW-6377

201-32723

SECRET
CLASSIFICATION

TO : Chief of Station, Mexico City

DATE 24 MAY 1958

FROM : Chief, WHD

SUBJECT { GENERAL - Operational
SPECIFIC - Harold P. NOEMAYR (ps)

Reference: DIR 19152 dated 25 April 1958

Action Required: None.

Attached herewith for your information and records is a copy of the Letter of Cover Instructions signed by NOEMAYR on 16 May 1958.

J. C. KING
CHIEF, WHD

19 May 1958

Attachment:
1, (4 pages)

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TO : Chief of Station, Mexico City

DATE 14 JAN 58 13 05

FROM : Chief, WHD

SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational
SPECIFIC - Ross Lester CROZIER

REF: HMMW-5826 (KAPOK)

1. Personal data on Subject is forwarded for station's information in connection with the proposal contained in reference, which is being pouched separately.

2. Ross Lester CROZIER was born on 20 June 1922 in De Kalb, Illinois, the oldest of five children in a middle class family which now resides in Sterling, Illinois. In December 1945 he married Argentina de los Angeles CORDERO Calderon, a Costa Rican citizen, born in San Juan, C.R., on 15 March 1918. They have two children: Ross Arnulfo, 8; and Lillian Caridad, 6. Subject and his family currently reside in Havana, Cuba.

3. Subject received primary and high school education in DeKalb and worked at odd jobs until 1940, when he entered the Armed Forces, serving first in the Army, then in the Air Corps. Between 1941 and 1945 he served as an Intelligence Specialist in the Panama Canal Zone and in the India-Burma Theater. Discharged at the end of the war, he worked briefly in Illinois, then returned to the Canal Zone at the end of 1945 and obtained civilian employment with the U.S. Navy. In April 1946 he re-enlisted in the Air Force and again served as an Intelligence Specialist until the expiration of his term of service in April 1949, at which time he was discharged with the rank of Technical Sergeant.

4. Upon discharge he went from the Panama Canal Zone to Costa Rica, where his wife's family resides, and from April 1949 to March 1953 he worked as a free lance photographer in San Juan. During this period he resumed his studies attending Economics courses at the University of Costa Rica. He returned to the United States during the latter part of 1953, resided in Washington, then for a few months attended the University of San Carlos in Guatemala City, until May 1954. Shortly after he transferred to the School of Economic Sciences of the University of Havana which he attended until 1957. Subject financed the first few years of his advanced education under the V.A. program. During his stay in Havana, Subject began

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working on polling studies for the Public Surveys Institute of Dallas, Texas which employs him at present.

5. Subject is 6'1" tall, slender built, athletic (1954 Guatemala national record in discus, track, high and broad jump, etc); is a pistol expert; has some experience as a radio operator; is an accomplished photographer and has designed and directed a photographic laboratory in Costa Rica.

6. Subject speaks and reads Spanish fluently and except for his height and Anglo Saxon appearance could pass as a native of Latin American countries. Subject became a Catholic convert shortly after his marriage.

7. Subject's wife was educated at the Liceo de Senoritas in San Jose, C.R., and has travelled extensively. Her father was born in Cuba, attended the Spanish Military Academy and served in Spanish Morrocco. In 1933/34 he was involved in Cuban politics and was forced to take refuge in Costa Rica, where he resided until his death in 1939. Her mother, who resides with Subject's family, retains an interest in Costa Rican and Cuban political affairs but takes no active part in politics.

8. A copy of a 1948 photograph of Subject is attached. Further information is contained in reference, forwarded under separate pouch.

9. The information given above is based on a PRQ and a PHS compiled by Subject respectively in 1948 and 1956 and on observations made by KUBARK officers who have been acquainted with him.

for J. C. KING
CHIEF, WHD

6 January 1958

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TO : Chief of Station, Habana

DATE

FROM : Chief, WHD

Regarding clearance to discuss PP activities with the Station -

SUBJECT { GENERAL - Operational/KUCAGE
SPECIFIC - Arthur C. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-A-2897, dated 9 August 1956 201-32723

Action Required: None

Headquarters feels that in the situation outlined in reference and within the limitations set forth in reference, no additional operational clearance for Subject is necessary.

J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

28 August 1956

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TO Chief of Station, Habana

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FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT
- GENERAL: Operational/KUTUBE
- SPECIFIC: Arthur G. VAIVADA

Action Requested: None

1. During his recent visit to Headquarters, Subject was asked by one of the Staff members if he would be interested in, and available for, recruitment approaches in various Latin American countries. Since Subject has a fine record in CP penetration work (i.e., his outstanding job in handling HUMANOID-3 operation in Costa Rica and his efforts in the CP penetration program in Cuba), it is believed that he would be an effective recruiter of possible CP defectors.

2. Subject stated that he was keenly interested in, and would like to engage in, such operations and would welcome the opportunity of being asked to hit a well-chosen target in any Spanish-speaking Latin American country.

3. The foregoing discussion with Subject was informal and without commitment on either side. However, the Station is being alerted to the possibility that Subject may be requested to perform such approaches at such time when worthwhile recruitment in-place CP targets are developed, or otherwise arise in other countries. Nevertheless, any such action originating at Headquarters or at any other Station, will of course be subject to Station Habana's consideration and approval beforehand, depending on his availability in reference to his work in Project AMPHODARCH, etc.

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J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

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TO Chief of Station, Habana

DATE 4 JUN 57 13 33

FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT
GENERAL Operational/KUTUBE
SPECIFIC Arthur G. VAIVADA

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Chief, WHD

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CLASSIFICATION

DESENSITIZED KAPOK #599

TO : Chief of Station, Mexico City DATE 16 JAN 1958

FROM : Chief, WHD

SUBJECT GENERAL - Operational
SPECIFIC - Proposed assignment of Arthur C. VAIVADA (P)

REF: HMMW-5825

DESENSITIZED per CSN 43-28

ACTION REQUIRED: Station comments and/or concurrence.

1. Subject is identified in reference which also gives his personal data and is forwarded in a separate pouch. Paragraph 4 of that dispatch outlines the cover activities of Subject for the period 1949 to the present, during which he has been actually employed by KUBARK, first as a contract agent then, since May 1957, as a career agent. He currently receives a salary approximately equivalent to that of a GS-11.

2. Subject's current, extended tour with the Havana station comes to an end in May 1958; due to his operational experience and performance with KUBARK in Costa Rica, Guatemala and Havana, Subject appears to be a good prospect as a replacement for Floyd PONTANY in CP operations.

3. Originally scheduled to be used by KUBARK in Panama, Subject was instead assigned to Costa Rica in 1949 under the HUMANOID project. While the operational files of this project have not yet been reviewed by this desk, entries in his personal file show that while in Costa Rica he handled a successful high level penetration of the local party. At the end of 1953, after a period of training at Headquarters, he was assigned to PBSUCCESS where he apparently also performed creditably. In July 1954 he was re-assigned to the Havana station as the principal agent of project AMTHOJARCH which involves the recruitment and handling of CP penetrations in that country. The AMTHOJARCH and Subject's personal files have been reviewed by this desk; together with the training and the assessments of the case officers for whom he has worked, the files show that Subject is eminently qualified as a recruiter and agent handler in CP operations. The records show that Subject possesses a great deal of integrity, resourcefullness and intelligence: he was highly rated both by Headquarters training officers and throughout his operational work in the field. He is particularly evaluated highly as to judgment and common sense.

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4. Should his assignment to Mexico Station be agreed upon, cover possibilities can be considered in the fields of photography and athletic training which are among Subject's specialties. He lists himself as a "pistol expert" and a clarification of this term will be requested if, in the Station's opinion, it may enlarge cover possibilities, perhaps under LIMERKY. Subject's wife is still a Costa Rican citizen at present, while his two children are U.S. citizens.

5. Station's comments on this proposed assignment and possible cover suggestions will be welcome.

J. C. KING
CHIEF, WHD

7 January 1958

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3 - Mexico City
1 - KAPOK/Chrono
1 - Subject

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : MEXICO CITY

ACTION : WH 5

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ROUTINE

IN 32413

TO DIR INFO CITE MEXI 1608

RE: MEXI 1468 (IN 22383)
DIR 11212 (OUT 51534)

PLEASE ADVISE ETA HAROLD R NOEMAYR.

END OF MESSAGE

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Public Surveys Institute

General Polling Service

Albert E. Johnson
Executive Director

532 Fidelity Union Life Building
1511 Bryan Street
Dallas, Texas
Riverside 1-3674

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LETTER HEAD STATIONARY USED BY THE
NOTIONAL COVER FIRM BACKSTOPPING
Harold R. NOEMAYR

Received From CCB/NC
on 20 May 1958

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SCO (Mr. Lustecher)

DATE: 19 May 1958

FROM : Operations Division, Medical Staff

SUBJECT: Harold R. NOEMAYR (p)

Subject has been evaluated by the Medical Staff and found qualified for proposed overseas assignment.

James R. Fearon
James R. Fearon
Administrative Officer

MS/JRF:clp

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C-1243 (Biladeau)
13 May 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, WH Division

ATTENTION : WH/III/Mexico/Puckett

SUBJECT : Cover Story for Harold R. NOEMAYR (P)

1. Transmitted herewith is a copy of the cover story prepared for Harold R. Noemayr.

2. You are requested to review the cover story, as well as Noemayr's contract, to insure that the cover arrangements satisfy the requirements involved. If the cover story meets with your approval, please sign the copy of this memorandum in the space provided and return it to this office.

3. The copy of the cover story should be forwarded to the appropriate Chief of Station for retention in his files where it can be reviewed by Noemayr whenever necessary.

JOHN G. SOUTHARD
CHIEF, CCB/NC

Attachment

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Mr. Harold B. Noemayr (P)
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Noemayr:

Your Cover

1. Cover has been contrived for you with two notional organizations, Public Surveys Institute and Betwins Travel Folders.

2. Public Surveys Institute is a notional organization which is ostensibly engaged in conducting all types of polls to determine public reactions on matters of interest to its many clients. This organization is located at Suite 532 Fidelity Union Life Building, 1511 Bryan Street, Dallas, Texas, telephone: RIverside 1-3674. The Institute is directed by Albert E. Johnson, a fictitious individual.

3. The above address is in actuality that of a telephone answering service where all normal calls of inquiry are handled by unwitting personnel during the course of their regular duties. However, any call which requires special attention is referred to a cleared and witting individual who has contact with headquarters. This person is adequately prepared to acknowledge your relationship with your cover firm and also answer any inquiries concerning you or your cover organization.

4. In addition to the above arrangement, you also have a contract with another notional firm to submit photographs and reports which are to be utilized in the preparation of travel brochures. This firm is Betwins Travel Folders which is located at Room 2101, 50 East 42nd Street, New York, New York, Telephone: MUrray Hill 7-4473. Betwins is directed by Charles H. Betwin, a fictitious individual, and is engaged in the preparation of material for travel folders, brochures, package tours, etc.

5. The above address for Betwins is in actuality located in the office of a cleared attorney who is prepared to backstop both the cover firm and your association with Betwins Travel Folders. This person also has contact with headquarters.

6. You are engaged on a contract basis to provide photographs and reports relating to possible tours, places of interest, eating establishments, hotels, etc. This information is then edited by Betwins and sold to various clients who desire travel folders.

7. You also have legitimate cover in the form of your free lance photography and short story writing. The past publication of this work can be used as a supplement to your Betwin cover.

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8. Your cover story for having been engaged by the Public Surveys Institute is as follows:

During a visit to the United States in May 1957, you became acquainted with Albert E. Johnson, the Director of Public Surveys Institute. Johnson indicated that he was interested in engaging the services of several people to organize and conduct polls in various Latin American areas.

Since you were already located in Cuba and had a knowledge of the language and customs, he expressed an interest in employing you in Cuba. As you felt this type of work would not conflict with your photographic efforts, you accepted the position effective May 1, 1957, in order to have an extra source of income.

Early in 1958, Johnson advised you that he had acquired several promising accounts who were interested in Mexico and he desired to transfer you to Mexico City since you had both experience and the necessary language qualification. You readily agreed to the transfer and planned to leave for Mexico during the latter part of May after a short vacation in the United States.

9. Your cover story for having been engaged by Betwins Travel Folders is as follows:

While visiting in the United States during April 1958 prior to your departure for Mexico, you became acquainted with Charles H. Betwin through Albert Johnson in New York. Betwin had seen some of your published work and expressed an interest in engaging your services on a part-time basis in Mexico. Since it meant an additional source of income as well as an opportunity to utilize your photographic talents, you readily accepted his offer. You were to photograph various places which were of interest to Betwin's clients and also forward information relating to prices, possible package tours, historical points of interest, etc.

Documentation

10. Correspondence reflecting your progress or difficulties encountered should be carried on between you and your cover firms. Such correspondence should be at intervals which would make your association with your cover firms appear to be the normal relationship of employer and employee.

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Financial Arrangements

11. It is understood that there actually will be no disbursement of funds for salary or other purposes to you through your cover firm, and therefore, arrangements for salary payments are a matter of concern between you and your division case officer. However, precautions must be taken to insure that the arrangements made will not conflict with your cover story.

Taxes

12. Your income tax returns will be filed with the Internal Revenue Tax Unit stationed at headquarters in accordance with Agency FN 20-660-4.

Restrictions

13. Should you at any time feel the necessity for a modification of this cover arrangement, or supplementing the cover outside of the present arrangement, or if any problems arise affecting your cover, direct a routine communication to your cover firms outlining the need or situation and concurrently notify your case officer of the conditions so that he may check with headquarters. Subsequently, you will receive advice from your cover concerns as would be normal and also be provided with official compatible instructions from your case officer.

14. With regard to any persons desiring to apply for a position with either cover firm, you are instructed to state that to the best of your knowledge and belief, the firms are adequately staffed. However, in order the the matter may be treated casually, the inquirer may be told to submit his application to the New York or Texas address, which ever applies, where it will receive due consideration.

15. You understand that these cover facilities have been established through cleared cooperative individuals who are witting, but not actually a part of the Agency. These persons know that you are actually an employee of the Agency and, as such, an extremely high standard of conduct will be expected of you.

16. A copy of this cover story will be retained in the station files. You may refer to it when necessary.

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DATE ____________________

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I certify that I have read and understand the above Letter of Cover Instructions regarding my cover and agree to comply with it in every respect.

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DATE ______________________________

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12 May 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contract Personnel Division

VIA: FI/OPS (Miss Paxton)

SUBJECT: Arthur C. VAIVADA
Amendment of Contract

1. It is requested that Subject's contract effective 1 June 1957 be amended to include under Paragraph 4, Allowances, that Subject be entitled to the Educational Allowance for his children, effective from the initial date of the contract.

2. The above provision was inadvertently omitted from Subject's contract by the Area Desk, and since the Station notified Subject he was entitled to this allowance, it would be appreciated if this matter be corrected and the contract amended accordingly. The error came to the attention of the Area Desk when Subject's claim for educational allowance dated 18 April 1958, was turned down by Finance Division because of the aforementioned omission from the contract.

J. C. King
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : MEXICO CITY

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ROUTINE

IN 22383

TO DIR INFO CITE MEXI 1468

RE: DIR 19152 (OUT 70226)*

1. CONCUR PARAS 2 AND 3 REF.
2. RECOMMEND USE JEREMY A TOLKING.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT; * CONCERNED COVER SET UP BY HQS FOR THE TRAVEL OF NOEMAYR.

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ORIG : L. D. PUCKETT
UNIT : WHD 582
EXT : 2555
DATE : 25 APRIL 1958

TO : MEXICO CITY
FROM : DIRECTOR
CONF : WH 5
INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC, FI/OPS 2, S/C 2

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OUT 70226

TO MEXI INFO CITE DIR 19152

RE: A. DIR 16715 (OUT 64381)
B. MEXI 1446 (IN 20477)*
C. HMMW-5826

1. SUB REF C ASSIGNED NEW PSEUDO HAROLD R. NOEMAYR.

2. APPRECIATE REF B SUGGESTION. HOWEVER, HQS ARRANGING NOEMAYR BACKSTOPPED COVER AS REPRESENTATIVE NOTIONAL PUBLIC POLLING SERVICES FIRM IN DALLAS, WHICH NOEMAYR USED IN CUBA, AND PHOTOGRAPHER AND COLLECTOR OF TRAVEL DATA FOR NOTIONAL TRAVEL SERVICE FIRM IN NEW YORK WHICH SUPPLIES TRAVEL INFO FOR PACKAGE TOURS. ALSO, HE WILL CONTINUE SUBMIT ARTICLES TO BOYS LIFE MAGAZINE. BELIEVE ABOVE COVER WILL GIVE NOEMAYR GOOD FLEXIBILITY AND MOBILITY AND WILL ELIMINATE MEXI NEED ARRANGE LOCAL COVER.

3. NOEMAYR PLANS ETA MEXI END MAY AS TOURIST. WILL ARRANGE WORKING PAPERS THRU STATION RECOMMENDED MEXI LAW FIRM.

4. REQUEST MEXI CONCURRENCE PARAS 2, AND 3 ABOVE.

END OF MESSAGE

CS COMMENT: *STATION CONCURS JOURNALISTIC COVER.

COORDINATED IN DRAFT WITH: CI/ICD/WH/MR. ANDERSON

COORDINATED BY PHONE WITH: CCB/IC/MR. BILADEAU

COORDINATING OFFICERS

J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

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R. H. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

NOEMAYR 201

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DATE 24 APR 1958

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ROUTINE

IN 20477

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : MEXICO CITY

ACTION : WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC, FI, FI/OPS 2, S/C 2

TO DIR INFO CITE MEXI 1446

RE: DIR 16715 (OUT 64381 *)

1. MR JOSEPH RAVOTTO, DEPUTY PAO, WHO KNOWS BENJAMIN AS WELL AS ANY ONE IN EMBASSY STATES HE SOUND, RESPECTED NEWS PAPER MAN WITH GOOD MEXI SOCIAL AND OFFICIAL CONTACTS. OUR FILES, ODENVY AND BIOG SECTION EMB TRACES NEGATIVE.

2. STATION CONCURS JOURNALISTIC COVER.

3. IF HQS APPROVES STATION WILL HAVE TALK BENJAMIN IN ORDER FURNISH DETAILS RE REIMBURSEMENT, FLEXIBILITY, DURABILITY AND OTHER ASPECTS GOOD COVER. WOULD NOT MENTION ANY NAME OR TARGET.

4. IF BENJAMIN UNDER CONSIDERATION URGE VAIVADA BE PERMITTED MEET, EVALUATE AND AGREE COVER ACCEPTABLE. ADVISE.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: * CONCERNED VAIVADA COVER.

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24 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Commendation for Arthur G. VAIVADA

1. Arthur G. VAIVADA, a Career Agent, is hereby commended for his outstanding performance and devotion to duty in carrying out the assignment described below.

2. During the period 12 - 26 March 1958, VAIVADA, by working his way into the mountain stronghold of the Cuban rebel forces and winning their friendship, procured timely and valuable intelligence and operational information. While on this assignment, he worked under conditions of personal risk and hardship.

3. This memorandum is written to be included as a permanent record in Subject's personal file.

J C King

J. C. King
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Office of Security

VIA : Chief, CI/OA

FROM : C/WHD

SUBJECT : Harold R. HOEMAYR (ps)
C-25507
#112569

It is requested that the CSA granted Harold R. HOEMAYR (ps), formerly called Arthur O. VAIVADA (ps), on 3 July 1957 for use in Cuba under Project AMPHORARCH, be amended to permit his use in Mexico City. HOEMAYR will be transferred PCS to Mexico City in May 1958 where he will be carried under Project LIEDGE which is being prepared for submission to FI/Projects for approval. Attached is a new PRQ Part II which covers our proposed use of HOEMAYR in Mexico.

J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

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16 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

VIA : Chief, Central Cover Branch

SUBJECT : Journalistic Cover for Harold R. [illegible] (ps)

1. Attached are the pertinent data pertaining to Subject's background as required by CSI [illegible].

2. It is requested that approval be granted for Subject's use of journalistic cover and that CCB/[illegible] undertake the necessary arrangements to facilitate Subject's affiliation with appropriate news media.

J. C. KING
CHIEF
Western Hemisphere Division

CONCUR:

Chief, Central Cover Branch

APPROVED:

Chief of Operations, DD/P

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(5) Outside interests, hobbies, etc: Athletics in general, outdoor life, photography, writing, jungle lore and chess.

(6) Objective personality evaluation: Subject is an astute, experienced and highly competent career agent. He possesses an attitude and a personality which are quite suitable for prolonged existence as a deep-cover asset. His personality is well suited for the many agent handling and management responsibilities that he will have in Mexico City.

(7) Agent's personal financial status: Solvent. He depends entirely on his salary.

(8) Previous foreign residence: Panama, Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Cuba since 1940. Military service in the Far East from 1944-45.

(9) Area experience: Area experience as reflected in the foregoing information is extensive.

(10) Language qualifications: Subject has fluent Spanish and English.

C. Security Considerations

(1) Period of employment with CIA: June 1949 - present.

(2) Frequency of visits to CIA installations: Not applicable, since CIA contacts made in safehouses.

(3) Extent of knowledge of others of subject's CIA affiliation: His wife is aware that subject is engaged in intelligence activities, however, not necessarily for CIA. No other non-agency personnel are believed to be aware of subject's CIA status.

(4) Past intelligence connections: With U.S. Army and Air Force as indicated above.

(5) Use of CIA as credit reference: None

(6) Future plans for agent: Contemplate continuation in non-official cover status upon completion of current assignment.

(7) Emergency contact: Mrs. Lester E. Crozier, mother
1745 S. 26th St.
Omaha, 5, Neb.

(8) Personal insurance held and beneficiaries: None, except as provided for in his contract. His wife is his beneficiary.

(9) Incidents involving security in NOEHAIR's past employment with this Agency:

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While there is no reason to believe that HOEMAYR has been exposed or compromised during his years of operating in Costa Rica, Guatemala or Cuba for CIA, the following incidents involving his security are set forth for your information:

a. HOEMAYR was forced to leave Guatemala prior to his scheduled departure when a Costa Rican source informed us that she had heard from high-level party sources that a "U.S. agent, specialist in Communist matters, had departed San Jose for Guatemala." This vague reference unfortunately coincided with subject's arrival in Guatemala.

b. In 1953 when subject was leaving Costa Rica, he made two cold approaches, one to a woman communist who was a leader in the Union de Mujeres. As subject left her home, the lady went immediately to Party headquarters and reported the incident. However, she was unable to describe HOEMAYR and so confused the approach story that it was useless to the Party and absolutely nothing ever came of the incident.

c. While in Cuba, HOEMAYR was working with a municipal committee youth communist who was a translator and did a story for HOEMAYR in Spanish. They met in each other's homes and HOEMAYR gave the Communist his business card (PSI). Sometime later, the Cuban military intelligence officer (SIM) picked up the Communist and searched his premises. Among other things, they found HOEMAYR's business card. When queried about this, the Communist simply told the officials he did translating for HOEMAYR. Nothing came of this incident and HOEMAYR could detect no surveillance of his person or his premises.

d. While the Cuban police will probably have HOEMAYR's name registered as having visited the Sierra Maestra region, the publication of his photographs and perhaps an article at a later date, should cover subject as a writer thereby minimizing any security hazard in this connection.

D. <u>Operational Information</u>

(1) Type of operation: FI. Subject will be an outside case officer for several station operations directed at the Mexican Communist and Marxist parties.

(2) Location: Mexico City and Guadalajara.

(3) Degree of mobility desired: Subject will spend most of his time in Mexico City but he should be free to travel to Guadalajara and other towns in Mexico.

(4) Special groups to be contacted: While subject will be concerned principally with the local Communist party, it is not necessary for him to have personal access to any special group.

(5) Approximate annual income to be attributed to cover: $10,000 (including allowances).

(6) Hours which must be devoted to operational duties: Subject should be able to devote at least 80% of his time to operational activity. His proposed cover will allow him a maximum of flexibility in arranging his cover and operational activity.

(7) Physical security requirements: No problems anticipated in this respect.

(8) Communications: Subject will utilize station communications facilities and will have regular contact with station personnel.

(9) Cover suggestions: In view of subject's previous journalistic experience, listed below, it is believed that it would be most appropriate for him to utilize cover connected with journalism. Probably the most advantageous arrangement would be for subject to become affiliated with one or two relatively small U.S. newspapers who do not currently have representatives in Mexico City. His contributions to such news media should be in the field of feature and human-interest stories, rather than of current events. His salary could, and probably should, be based on a stringer or piecemeal basis, rather than having a fixed income. Since subject is also a competent and experienced photographer, he could be expected to make photographic contributions to the newspapers or magazines he represents.

In addition to the above arrangements, it is suggested further that the notional cover (Public Surveys Institute, General Polling Service, Dallas, Texas) previously utilized by subject be continued. Subject maintains that he has developed a very sound and detailed cover based on this notional arrangement and that it would be very logical for him to use it in Mexico. Also, this additional cover arrangement would give subject another means of income together with added social flexibility and geographic mobility.

(10) Previous journalistic and writing experience:

NOEMAYR's formal journalistic training consists of a two-year correspondence course in fiction writing with the Palmer Institute of Authorship.

NOEMAYR has had three short stories published: "Old Saber Nose" in Boys Life, September 1956; "The Golden Discus," in

Boys Life, June 1958; and "Duelo a 300 Brazas," in Bohemia, a Havana magazine, on 9 September 1957. HOCHMAYR has done quite a bit of photographic work. While working as a photographer and setting up a small studio in San Jose, Costa Rica, in 1952, he did some contract work for the Costa Rican Ministry of Agriculture. They were so pleased with his work that they hired him to set up their photographic laboratory in the Ministry. During this period he had some photographs published, mostly portrait work. Within the last month, HOCHMAYR has had one photograph of Fidel CASTRO published under his by-line, in the New York Mirror and four similiar photographs have appeared in the New York Times. He expects that several more of his photographs on CASTRO and his revolutionaries will be published, if the news value of the movement continues.

HOCHMAYR has several personal friends in the newspaper and journalistic fields. Among them are: Francis Smith, Fiction Editor of Boys Life; G. Gordon Dewey, Fiction Instructor, Palmer Institute of Authorship, Hollywood, California; CWO Francis Williams, technical writer, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio; Andrew St. George, freelance writer and photographer who also works for Time-Life; Charles Schuman, staff writer and cameraman for UP; and Arthur Gregor, scientific writer, MIT and Nuclear Metals, Inc., Boston, Mass (married to his wife's sister).

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Date: 16 April 1958

To: Honor Award Board

Through :

From: Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

Name: CROZIER, Ross L.

Position: Career Agent

Grade: GS-11

Office assigned to : WH/III

Station: Habana, Cuba

Legal Residence : Washington, D.C.

Citizenship : American, by birth

If any of the above items......

Recommended award: Intelligence Star and Certificate of Merit

Postumous: No.

Name of next of kin: Argentina de los Angeles Cordaro de Crozier

Relationship : wife

Address: Washington, D.C.

If previous recommendation were submitted...... Not applicable

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Were you ~~witness~~ an eyewitness to the act? No

~~If not, state from what source~~

Personnel in immediate vicinity or.........

Not applicable

List any of the above persons.....

Not applicable

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Condition under which act was persformed:

Location: I. Sierra Maestra mountains, Cuba, 12-26 March 1958 Not applicable

II San Jose, Costa Rica, 1-2 May 1953 0400 AM.

Prevailing geographic conditions and obsticles encountered:

The area in which Mr. Crozier undertook his mission is the Sierra Maestra mountains located in the Oriente Province, Cuba, where the Cuban rebel leader, Fidel Castro has been able to hide-out and ~~resist~~ [survive] the efforts of the Cuban Army to ~~exterminate~~ [capture or kill] him for over a year. The mountainous area is [an] extremely rough and wild terrain, primarily thickly vegetated with jungle growth. It is sparsely populated, and the only means of access are foot paths and mountain trails. The approaches to the area are heavily patrolled by Cuban Government troops who are on the alert to ~~stop~~ [intercept] all persons ~~trying~~ [attempting] to enter or leave the area.

Office, component, or station: Station, Habana, Cuba

Inclusive dates for which recommended: 12-26 March 1958

Assignment completed: Yes

Now in same or related assignment: No.

Achievement performed: x

I.

Towards the latter part of 1957, as a result of an increasing number of alarming reports concerning alleged Communist penetration and support of Fidel Castro's 26 of July Movement operating in the Sierra Maestra mountains, the Western Hemisphere Division became aware of the urgent need to mount an operation to acquire first-hand and reliable information and data on the Cuban rebel forces. In early January 1958, Mr. Crozier volunteered to undertake the precarious mission to contact Fidel Castro in his mountain retreat in the Sierra Maestras. He arranged for his free

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passage into the Sierras through contacts within the 26 of July Movement which the Station developed earlier. After the necessary arrangements, Mr. Crozier left La Habana on 5 April 1958 for Santiago de Cuba, from where he left for the Sierras under the escort of a rebel guide who conducted him safely through the Cuban Army lines. During the course of approximately twenty days' stay at the ~~mountain hideout~~ of Castro's headquarters, Mr. Crozier was exposed to many hardships and great personal risks. On 26 March 1958, Mr. Crozier accompanied Fidel Castro and a force of ~~xxxxx~~ 200 men on a dawn attack on the town of Manzanillo, where he broke off contact with the Cuban rebels and returned to his base in La Habana. Mr. Crozier successfully accomplished his mission by reporting considerable intelligence and operational ~~xxx~~ information of noteworthy value, together with an excellent photographic coverage of his trip.

These exploits ~~together with the achievement set forth below~~, clearly demonstrate ~~denotes~~ Mr. Crozier's adaptability in precarious situations, as well as a deep devotion to his work and to CIA.

On 1 May 1953, Mr. Crozier............

II

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On 1 May 1953, MR. CROZIER was in charge of an attempt to physically penetrate the home of Manuel MORA Valverde, President of the Costa Rican Communist Party for the purpose of obtaining documents which could be used to prove the Communist Party's control over the Partido Progresista Independiente, a front which had been organized to participate in the 1953 elections. The sub-agent who was to actually perform the penetration failed to appear and realizing the urgency of the operation, CROZIER voluntarily + on his own initiative made the penetration. At the time ~~sixthxx~~ (0400) he entered the MORA house, the entire family was known to be sleeping in the rear part of the house. Working quietly and quickly under conditions of ~~considerable~~ GREAT personal risk, Mr. CROZIER succeeded in carrying away approximately 85 percent of the legal PPI documentation and other records as well as a large amount of Communist Party documents such as minutes to meetings, code words, etc. A few days later a high level Party penetration reported that the PPI may have been eliminated from the electoral scene due to the almost impossible task of reconstructing the legally required records. However, the PPI was ~~xxxxxx~~ able to reconstruct the records and registered by the deadline of 26 May. According to the Station, "this operation provided the station with a bulk of compromising documents, seriously hampered PPI activities because of missing records, almost eliminated them from the scene, spread distrust, suspicion, and confusion among the ~~x~~ Political Commission, and, because it was finally attributed to Figuerista ~~xxxxxx~~ elements, enraged the Communists against FIGUERES and destroyed any

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possibility of an agreement with or support for FIGUERES." (HRS-A-212). On 29 May a careful slection of the more compromising documents obtained by CROZIER's penetration was mailed to the head of the Legislative Commission investigating the Communist affiliations of the PPI. On ~~May~~ 5 June an additional batch of the documents were mailed. These papers were selected for their authenticity, i.e. carbon copies of letters previously sent to the Assembly by the PPI, in order to establish the validity of the documents. On 24 July 1953 the President of Costa Rica signed a bill outlawing the PPI. The participation of Mr. CROZIER in the campaign to prevent the PPI from becoming a legal party is considered to have been instrumental in its success.

increasing reports concerning
communist influence and penetration

As a result of the WHD's need
to acquire first handed and
reliable information and data on
Fidel Castro and his rebel
forces operating in the Sierra
Maestra.

As a result of an increasing influx
of alarming report concerning possible
Communist ~~influence~~ penetration
and support of Fidel CASTRO's
~~the~~ 26 July movement operating
in the Sierra Maestra, WHD became
aware of the need to mount an
operation to acquire first handed
and reli-ble information on the
rebel forces.

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CONTRACT INFORMATION AND CHECK LIST	CASE OFFICER L. D. Puckett	DIVISION WH
INSTRUCTIONS: Complete all items, inserting "NA" when items are not applicable. Forward original and one copy for preparation of contract.	TELEPHONE EXTENSION 2555 or 3162	DATE 16 April 1958

SECTION I — GENERAL

1. NAME ☒ PSEUDO ☐ TRUE — Harold B. NOEMAYR
2. PROJECT — LIEGE
3. ALLOTMENT NO.
4. SLOT NO.
5. PREVIOUS CIA PSEUDONYM OR ALIASES — Arthur G. VAIVADA
6. INDIVIDUAL IS PRESENTLY ENGAGED, OR HAS BEEN ENGAGED BY CIA OR ITS ALLIED ACTIVITIES IN SOME CAPACITY ☒ YES ☐ NO (If yes, describe and include salary) — Career Agent GS-12 $7,570.00
7. SECURITY CLEARANCE (Type and date) — CSA 3 July 1957 (Amendment in process to include Mexico City)
8. CONTRACT IS TO BE WRITTEN IN STERILE FORM I.E., "U.S. GOVERNMENT" ☒ YES ☐ NO
9. INDIVIDUAL WILL WORK UNDER CONTROLLED CONDITIONS I.E., REGULAR OFFICE HOURS AWAY FROM SUBJECT'S HOME AND PERFORMED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A STAFF EMPLOYEE OR STAFF AGENT ☐ YES ☒ NO
10. PROPOSED CATEGORY (Contract agent, contract employee, etc.) — Career Agent

SECTION II — PERSONAL DATA

11. CITIZENSHIP — USA
12. IF NOT U.S. CITIZEN, INDIVIDUAL IS A PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN ☐ YES ☐ NO
13. AGE — 35
14. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year) — 20 June 1922
15. LEGAL RESIDENCE (City and state or country) — Omaha, Nebraska
16. CURRENT RESIDENCE (City and state or country) — Alexandria, Virginia
17. MARITAL STATUS (Check as appropriate) ☐ SINGLE ☒ MARRIED ☐ WIDOWED ☐ ANNULLED ☐ SEPARATED ☐ DIVORCED
18. NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS (Not including individual) RELATIONSHIP: Three, wife and two children
19. INDIVIDUAL IS RELATED TO A STAFF EMPLOYEE, STAFF AGENT OR AN INDIVIDUAL CURRENTLY WORKING FOR THE AGENCY IN SOME CAPACITY ☐ YES ☒ NO RELATIONSHIP:

SECTION III — U.S. MILITARY STATUS

20. RESERVE — No
21. VETERAN — Yes
22. IF RETIRED, INDICATE CATEGORY (Longevity, combat disability service disability non-combat)
23. BRANCH OF SERVICE — Army - US Air Force
24. RANK OR GRADE — Tech Sgt
25. DRAFT ELIGIBLE ☐ YES ☒ NO
26. DRAFT DEFERMENT OBTAINED BY CIA ☐ YES ☐ NO

SECTION IV — COMPENSATION

27. BASIC SALARY — $7,570.00 p/a
28. POST DIFFERENTIAL — None
29. COVER (Breakdown, if any) — Income derived from cover will be turned in to Station
30. TAXES TO BE WITHHELD BY COVER ☐ YES ☒ NO

SECTION V — ALLOWANCES (NORMALLY GRANTED ONLY TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES)

31. QUARTERS — 0.00 p/a
32. POST — None
33. OTHER — Temporary living allowance, if required, not to exceed additional $136.00 Educational (2 children) $504.0
34. T (Breakdown, if any) — None

SECTION VI — TRAVEL

35. TYPES ☐ PCS ☐ DOMESTIC OPERATIONAL FOREIGN OPERATIONAL
36. WITH DEPENDENTS ☒ YES ☐ NO
37. HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS TO BE SHIPPED — Pana, C.Z. to Mexico City ☐ NO
38. PERSONAL VEHICLE TO BE SHIPPED ☐ YES ☐ NO
39. TRANSPORTED VEHICLE TO BE USED FOR OPERATIONAL TRAVEL ☐ YES ☐ NO
40. DEPENDENTS STATE RELATIONSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, AGE AND DATE OF BIRTH

Wife, Costa Rican citizen, born 15 March 1918

Son, [redacted], born 4 September 1949 - US citizen

Daughter, [redacted], born 24 June 1951 - US citizen

41. PAYMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY WILL BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH ☒ CIA REGULATIONS ☐ COVER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

SECTION VII — OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

42. PURCHASE OF INFORMATION
43. ENTERTAINMENT
44. OTHER — of travel in Mexico. Yes, as

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NOTE: SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON FIRST SHEET.

CASE OFFICER: L. D. Puckett
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SECTION VIII — OTHER BENEFITS

46. BENEFITS (See Part XIV of Confidential Fund Regulations or successor regulations for benefits applicable to various categories of contract personnel. If medical benefits are requested, see R 15-230 or successor regulations.)

Annual leave
Sick leave
Death and disability benefits equal to those authorized under Federal Employees Compensation Act.
Missing Persons Act.
Civil Service Retirement
Regular Staff Employees medical benefits for employee and dependents as stated in R-15-230 (Subject will meet requirements when completes covert medical on 21 April 1958)

SECTION IX — COVER ACTIVITY

47. STATUS (Check): X PROPOSED; ESTABLISHED
48. TYPE (Check): PROPRIETARY; SUBSIDIZED; CULTURAL; EDUCATIONAL; X COMMERCIAL; MILITARY; TOURIST; X OTHER Notional

49. IF COVER PAYMENTS ARE CONTEMPLATED, THEY WILL BE EFFECTED ON REIMBURSABLE BASIS: YES; X NO; COMPLETE; PARTIAL

SECTION X — OFFSET OF INCOME

50. OFFSET OF INCOME AND OTHER EMOLUMENTS DERIVED FROM COVER ACTIVITIES (If less than total, justify in separate memo attached hereto.): X TOTAL; PARTIAL; NONE

SECTION XI — TERM

51. DURATION: DAYS; MONTHS; 2 YEARS
52. EFFECTIVE DATE: 1 May 1958
53. RENEWABLE: X YES; NO
54. TERMINATION NOTICE (Number of days)
55. FORFEITURE OF RETURN TRAVEL FOR RESIGNATION PRIOR TO CONTRACT TERMINATION: X YES; NO

SECTION XII — FUNCTION

56. PRIMARY FUNCTION (FI, PP, other): FI

SECTION XIII — DUTIES

57. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED

Case officer for Communist Party operations in Mexico.

SECTION XIV — QUALIFICATIONS

58. EXPERIENCE

Contract and career agent since June 1949.
Intelligence assignments in Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Cuba.

59. EDUCATION (Check Highest Level Attained): GRADE SCHOOL; HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE; TRADE SCHOOL GRADUATE; BUSINESS SCHOOL GRADUATE; COMMERCIAL SCHOOL GRADUATE; COLLEGE No degree; COLLEGE DEGREE; POST GRADUATE; MA; PHD

60. LANGUAGE COMPETENCY (Check Appropriate Degree Competency)

LANGUAGE	SPEAK	WRITE	READ
English	X	X	X
Spanish	X	X	X

61. INDIVIDUAL'S COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: USA

62. AREA KNOWLEDGE

Extensive area knowledge of Central America and Caribbean areas. Has resided in Latin America since 1940.

SECTION XV — PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

63. JOB AND SALARY PRIOR TO SERVICE FOR CIA

[redacted]
Jan 1946
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SECTION XVI — ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

64. ADDITIONAL OR UNUSUAL REQUIREMENTS, JUSTIFICATIONS OR EXPLANATIONS (Use other side if necessary)

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15 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: S.O./Investigations and Support

SUBJECT : Mr. Charles Rico

SUBJECT : Harold E. [illegible] (p), formerly Arthur G. VAITATA (p), S.O. #112569, C-[illegible]

1. Reference is made to the telephone conversation between Mr. Rico of S.O. and Mr. Sulc of WH/III/Mexico (x3142, x2555) concerning an LCFLUTTER examination of Subject. The time agreed upon for this examination was [illegible] hours on 24 April 1958.

2. A conference will be held at 2011 I Building at 1500 hours 21 April between the desk case officer and Mr. Rico.

E. H. Dahlgren,
Chief, WH/III

WH/III/Mexico/LSulc:ngs

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REQUEST HAROLD R. NOEMAYR REPORT TO HQS IMMEDIATELY FOR CONSULTATION PRIOR TO APPROX TWO WEEKS TDY CUBA TO REESTABLISH CONTACT FIDEL CASTRO. ABOVE MISSION RELATED TO KIDNAPPING OF U. S. CITIZENS. CALL MR. ROBERT REYNOLDS ON ARRIVAL. ADVISE ETA.

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Mr. Arthur G. Vaivada

Dear Mr. Vaivada:

Reference is made to your contract with the United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, effective 1 June 1957.

Effective 15 April 1958, said contract is amended by revising the first sentence of paragraph two (2) entitled "Compensation" to read as follows:

> " In full consideration for your services as a Career Agent, you will be compensated at the rate of $7570 per annum, GS-12. "

All other terms and conditions of the contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect.

You will please indicate your approval by signing in the space provided below.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

BY ______________________
Contracting Officer

ACCEPTED:

Arthur G. Vaivada
Arthur G. Vaivada

WITNESS: Buntoń W. Buske

APPROVED:

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15 April 58

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15 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contract Personnel Division

THROUGH: FI/OPS/Projects
Attention: Miss Paxton

SUBJECT: Arthur G. Vaivada - Amendment of Contract

1. It is requested that Arthur G. Vaivada's contract, effective 1 June 1957, be amended by deleting the first sentence of Paragraph 2 (Compensation) and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"2. Compensation. In full consideration for your services as a Career Agent, you will be compensated at the rate of $7570 per annum, GS-12."

2. All other terms and conditions of the original contract remain in full force and effect.

J. C. King
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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11 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, FI/Staff

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA - Request for Promotion

1. It is requested that Arthur G. Vaivada, a Career Agent, be promoted from GS-11 to grade GS-12 for his outstanding performance in carrying out a precarious mission in line with the objectives of Project AMPHODARCH, in which he is the Principal Agent.

2. In early January 1958, Vaivada volunteered to undertake a mission to contact Cuban rebel leader Fidel Castro Ruz in the Sierra Maestra mountains in south-eastern Cuba. He arranged for his free passage into the Sierras through contacts within the 26 July Movement which he and the Station developed earlier. After the necessary arrangements, Vaivada left La Habana on 5 April 1958 for Santiago de Cuba, from where he left for the Sierras under the escort of rebel guides. In the course of approximately twenty days' stay at the mountain hideout of Castro's headquarters, during which time he was exposed to many hardships and great personal risks, he accompanied Castro and a force of about 200 rebels on their dawn attack on the town of Manzanillo on 26 March 1958. At Manzanillo, Vaivada broke off contact with the Cuban rebels and returned to his base in Habana.

3. During his relatively short stay in the Sierra Maestra mountains, Vaivada was able to gather considerable intelligence and operational information of noteworthy value, together with an excellent photographic coverage of his trip.

4. This exploit is another achievement to be added to the impressive past performances of Arthur G. Vaivada, who has always shown a deep devotion to his work and to the Agency.

5. Vaivada was born on 20 June 1922, and has been with CIA since 1949. He has been a career agent since 1 June 1957, and was promoted to the grade of GS-11 on 1 June 1957. His tour of duty in Cuba was from August 1954 until 31 March 1958.

J. C. King

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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Journalistic Background - AGV 14 April 1958.

1) Employment with dates: None (Free lance)

2) Three short stories: "Old Saber Nose" pub BOYS LIFE, Sept 1956
"The Golden Discus" pub BOYS LIFE, June 50.
"Duelo a 300 Brezas" pub BOHEMIA, Havana, Sept 9, 1957.

3) Contributions - Photo: While working as photographer and setting up a small studio in San Jose, Costa Rica in 1952, I did some contract work for the Costa Rican Ministry of agriculture. They were pleased enough with the results to employ me for purpose of setting their photo laboratory within the ministry. During this time I also had some photos published - but cannot recall where and when - mostly portrait work.
Currently, I have had one photo (CASTRO Rev) come out in NY Mirror and about four come out in New York Times. About five more will be published if the news value of this movement holds up.

4) Connections - persons known: Francis Smith, Fiction Editor BOYS LIFE. (Correspondence only for about three years now.)
G. Gordon Dewey, Fiction Instruction, Palmer Institute of Authorship, Hollywood 28, California.
CWO Francis Williams, Technical Writer, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.
Andrew St. George, Time-Life & Freelance writer and photographer.
Charles Schuman, staff writer and cameraman for UP, currently working out of Havana, Cuba.
Arthur Gregor, Scientific writer, MIT and Nuclear Metals, Inc., Boston, Mass. (Married to wife's sister).

Prepared by Vaivada Linsley -

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Jounalistic - AGV p.2 14 April 1958.

5) Societies - Memberships: Completed a two year correspondence course in fiction writing - Palmer Institute of Authorship.

Member of the American Legion - Havana.

Assessment (sec)

a) Last assignment: Arrived Havana in August 1954 with a one-year scholarship at the University of Habana (Pan American Foundation, University of Florida at Gainesville). This cover adequately set up and well back stopped. I travelled to Gainesville, met the man (Curt Wilgus) on that end of the line and the only documentation necessary was a series of letters from the Foundation that indicated my efforts to obtain the scholarship and finally their grant. After arriving, however, and matriculating at the U of H, it became immediately obvious that the nature of my target was such that my presence within the university was more a handicap than an asset. After a few months at the university, I abandoned studies (it was becoming increasingly difficult anyway due to political disturbances) and turned to freelance photography and writing for my cover. For several months I had the photography on just enough of a paying basis that would satisfy any security surveillance.

Photography and writing was definitely superior to university as cover, since it then gave me the opportunity to work inconspicuously on penetrations within the university.

Concerning general security aspects of that assignment, there was that one incident with the threat to exposure coming out of the death of an amphodarch key agent and my proximity throughout the entire incident. However, there has never been any indication that I was exposed or compromised. The station in Cuba felt that if I could return and operate as free from surveillance as I did, that certainly Cuban security people did not have anything compromising on me.

b) Previous assignments: To the best of my knowledge, I have never been exposed or compromised during the years of operation in Costa Rica, Guatemala and Cuba. There was an incident which prompted an early departure from Guatemala for personal and operational security reasons - but again, there was never any further indication as to the validity of the warning. What occurred - the Costa Rican source MARY - apparently learned from high level party sources that "a US agent, specialist in communist matters, had departed San Jose for Guatemala" and of course, this vagary unfortunately coincided with my arrival at Guatemala. At any rate, I was doing very little at Guatemala and would have departed anyway in view of the deteriorating situation of June 1954.

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Journalistic - AGV p.5

Naturally, there are many intangibles involved with operating over long periods (almost/years in Cuba) in one place, and then travelling back and forth between areas of previous assignment (Costa Rica), and last but not least, cultivating communists in all these places. The question becomes, How ~~through~~ thorough are these people? Does a Cuban CP character communicate with a Guatemalan or Costa Rican along lines of security, of movement of Americans in these areas, and actual approaches made ? Probably not, at their best, the administration is hapnazard. A typical example: Once, in 1953, when I was leaving Costa Rica, I made a couple of cold approaches - one was with woman communist, a leader in the Union de Mujeres Carmen Liza. I walked away from her house - she evidently got a taxi right behind me - and she went straight to the headquarters and reported to Manuel Mora. But she couldn't describe me - had the story so confused (the approach story) as to render it useless to them, and absolutely nothing ever came of the incident. (By the same token, it would have been a different story in Cuba.)

Although, even in Cuba, there is not persistence or perseverance in investigations. I was working with a municipal committee youth communist - he is a translator and did a story for me in Spanish - and he was visiting my home (twice) while I went to his apartment about four times. I gave him my business card (Dallas Corporation) and some time later a SIM net picked him - searched his premises - and among other things, turned up my business card. He was queried on it and stated that he was simply translating for me. Now this boy is a known communist, although they could get nothing on him at this time - but such an incident/should have provoked at least a casual surveillance of me or my premises. Nothing came of this incident either - and the station down there would known.

Lastly, the mission up to the Sierra Maestra has security implications. Not so much concerning communism, but its reasonable to assume that Cuban security people will come up with my name as having been up there. However, with the pictures published, perhaps an article later, there should be enough cover as a writer to neutralize any hazard there.

Past employment (with us)

a) Company or foundation: Scholarship from Panamerican Foundation at University of Florida at Gainesville, from July 1954 to June 1955.

Then the notional cover set up last year (May 1957) was the Public Surveys Institute, General Polling Service, 532 Fidelity Union Life Bldg., 1511 Bryan street, Dallas, Texas. This arranged so that any mail or telephone to the above corporation would confirm my company connections and could even be used as a credit reference if necessary. This arrangement was quite satisfactory.

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b) The security aspects of the Dallas corporation were very good I believe. Since freelance writing at best is considered a weak cover, this corporation connection gave me a more solid standing with more serious creditors such as landlords, banks and the larger merchandizing houses. In addition to the above, this cover was utilized very conveniently in operational instances where a realistic approach story was needed. Communists were approached on the basis of a political polling - this could be narrowed right down to soliciting information on the communists party as a political party. Again, it was always nice to have a business card with adresses and telephone numbers that could be given as immediate reference to any type of security interrogation.

Estimate of journalistic capability:

While my contributions in fiction have been principally juvenile, my writing training has come largely over a period of years at reportorial writing. Since I have some experience as a photographer also, it is convenient to relate the two, and possibly my best field would be feature and article writing. However, while on the mission with the Castro revolutionary movement, I associated with various members of the press and had no difficulty whatsoever in passing as one of them. Given an adequate period for familiarization, I feel that I could just about move into any press or writing slot that did not require a great deal of copy or tight deadlines.

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Field File No. 23-89/2-180

TO : Chief, WHD

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DATE: 10 April 1958

FROM : Chief of Station, Habana

INFO: Chief of Base, Santiago de Cuba

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational/Arthur G. VAIVADA

SPECIFIC— Commendation for Successful Completion of Mission to Sierra Maestra

Action Required: At Headquarters' Discretion

1. The writer wishes to commend Station and Base personnel whose work contributed to the successful preparation, mounting, and execution of the clandestine operation that recently placed a KUBARK Career Agent, Arthur G. VAIVADA, in the Sierra Maestra headquarters of Dr. Fidel CASTRO Ruz for sixteen days in March 1958. This mission resulted in acquisition by KUBARK of considerable important and timely information regarding the CASTRO revolutionary movement that was being urgently requested by customer agencies. In the writer's opinion the operation was a team effort. Giving credit to the staff personnel will in no way detract from the praiseworthy performance of VAIVADA himself.

2. With regard to VAIVADA the personal courage and professional ability as an intelligence officer demonstrated on this mission were of the highest order and should be highly commended. Headquarters is aware, as is the Station, that VAIVADA is desirous of acquiring staff agent status with KUBARK. The writer believes that his desires in this respect should be given consideration as part of any action taken in recognition of VAIVADA's services in the subject operation.

3. Station and Base personnel directly concerned with laying on this operation, arranging for proper briefing and support of VAIVADA, and recovering him securely when he left the Sierra Maestras, were Humphrey I. EBERWEIN, James R. PALINGER, and Nelson L. RAYHOCK.

Sherwood P. Rochon

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ORIG : L. D. PUCKETT
UNIT : WHD 656
EXT : 2555
DATE : 9 APRIL 1958

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TO : MEXICO CITY

FROM : DIRECTOR

CONF : WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC, FI/OPS 2, S/C 2

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TO MEXI INFO CITE DIR 16715

MEXI 1017 (IN 26340)*

1. DISCUSSIONS WITH ARTHUR G. VAIVADA INDICATE JOURNALISTIC COVER SUITABLE FOR MEXI ASSIGNMENT. THIS BASED HIS PUBLISHED FICTIONAL AND NEWS STORIES DURING PAST FEW YEARS AND PUBLISHED NEWS PHOTOS TAKEN DURING RECENT VISIT FIDEL CASTRO CAMP.

2. HQS CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING U.S. COVER ARRANGEMENTS. HOWEVER, TO INSURE CONSIDERATION ALL POSSIBILITIES, REQUEST STATION OPINION USE ROBERT SPIERS BENJAMIN (REQUEST CURRENT TRACES), WHO KNOWN TO NAUMAN.

3. REQUEST STATION CONCURRENCE VAIVADA USE JOURNALISTIC COVER.

END OF MESSAGE.

C/S COMMENT: *VAIVARDA ACCEPTABLE, SUGGESTED ARRIVE MEXI ON 1 MAY FOR ORIENTATION.

COORDINATION WITH:

WH/III/CARIBBEAN
DC/CI/ICD
CCB/NC/Mr. Lukoskie by phone

J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

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R. H. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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8 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: General: Training/Briefing of DDP Personnel

Specific: Briefing of Ross L. Crozier, who is scheduled to be the new undercover CP Officer for Station Mexico City.

1. In Havana, Cuba on 5 March 1958, I briefed Ross L. Crozier concerning:

a) his proposed new assignment in Mexico; and

b) Headquarters desire that he receive special briefings from CI/ICD prior to going to Mexico.

2. Crozier stated that he was very glad to receive the briefing because he had not had a clear picture of what the proposed assignment in Mexico involved. He was pleased to find out that it was a pure penetration assignment. He also responded enthusiastically to the idea of receiving Headquarters briefings prior to going to the Field. He stated that he would like to have a short leave in Costa Rica prior to receiving the Headquarters briefing.

3. On 2 April 1958 in Washington, D.C., the undersigned and Mr. E. L. Anderson, Chief, CI/ICD-WH, briefed Crozier further concerning the matter discussed above, reaffirming our keen interest in the assignment. Mr. Anderson pointed out to him that his (Crozier's) "partner" in Mexico City (the inside CP officer), was in Costa Rica

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and that if securely feasible it would be a good idea for the two men to meet there. Mr. Crozier stated that he thought that it could be done readily and securely as he will contact the Embassy normally as an American citizen and he is well acquainted with COS, San Jose. One of the elements in our plan for intensification of the CPPP in Mexico is that these two very capable officers should get to know one another well in order to function smoothly and efficiently as a team.

4. Mr. Crozier stated that he plans to return to Washington, D.C., from his leave in Costa Rica during the approximate period 20-25 April 1958. Chief, CI/ICD-WH is handling arrangements for the briefing of Mr. Crozier.

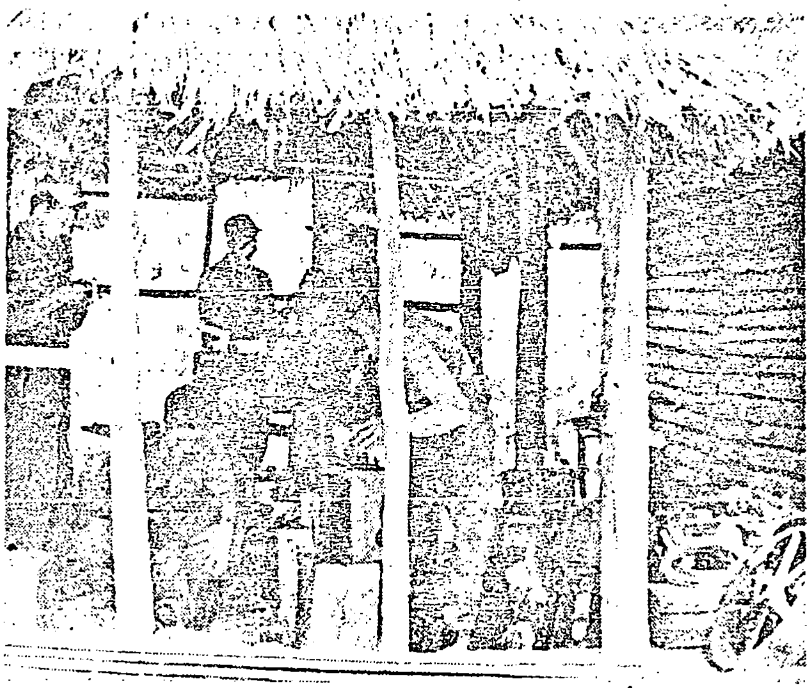
Paul J. Burke
Deputy Chief, CI/ICD

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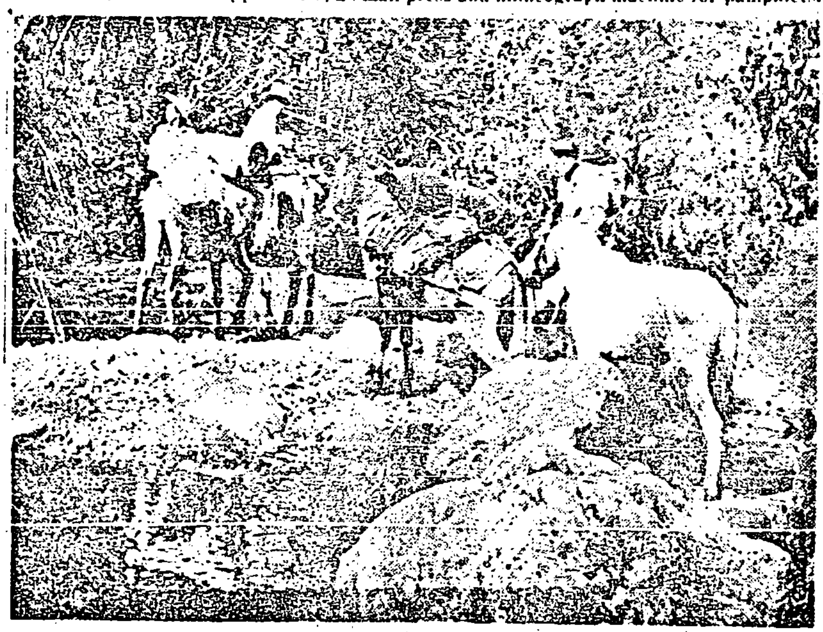
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Activities of Fidel Castro's Rebel Forces in Cuba



The rebel leader's men set up a printing shop in upper Sierra Maestra in Oriente Province. They have three typewriters, a small press and mimeograph machine for pamphlets.



Mule train carries tanks of oxygen and acetylene for welding bombs, grenades and armor

CONFLICT IN CUBA GAINS IN VIOLENCE

Army Reports Widespread Clashes—Thirty Rebels Listed as Captured

Special to The New York Times.

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This was the first announcement by the army of the capture of any rebels. It is believed here that the army has been following a policy of taking no prisoners.

Army Reports Plane Downed

Army headquarters also reported that troops had shot down a C-46 plane carrying arms and ammunition to the rebels. The announcement said the plane crashed and burned, killing the pilot and crewmen. Some unburned arms were found in the wreckage, the army said.

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Ross L. Crozier

SECLUDED REBEL ARMS SHOP: In this enclosure in Cuba's Sierra Maestra, so remote that even mules cannot reach it, weapons are repaired for forces of Fidel Castro.

8, 1958.

Cobb

FACE HARD ROAD

Victories Lift Party Hopes but Conditions May Alter Before Next Elections

By DREW MIDDLETON

Special to The New York Times.

LONDON, April 7 — Lady Violet Bonham Carter compared her experiences in the recent by-election to those of a soldier in an "army of liberation entering an occupied country which for years had been ruled by quislings and collaborators."

This emotional approach to a prosaic political contest by the ideological leader of Britain's reviving Liberal party matches the air of crusading evangelism that permeates the faction. The zeal with which the Liberals enter battle against the Conservatives and Labor is part of the party's appeal.

The Liberal victory by 219 votes last month at Torrington, where formerly the Conservatives had a majority of 9,000, was so startling that it naturally has led to some exagge-

...dent they would triple the figure if a general election were held this year.

How long will it be before the Liberals can hope to win a general election? The optimistic young volunteers who work in party headquarters talk ea...

...as a Second Siberia

Special to The New York Times.

KONXVILLE, Tenn., April 7—Dr. Seth B. Nicholson, astronomer with the Mount Wilson and Mount Palomar Observatories in California, does not think it is worth the cost to land a human being on the moon, unless Siberia is overcrowded.

"If the Russians have Siberia filled with political prisoners, the moon might be a good place for them to expand," he quipped.

Just how soon a human being is landed on the moon will depend on "how much money we want to spend on it," he said. "I don't think it would be woth it."

Dr. Nicholson said there is a need for teaching more science in schools, but not just because of the guided missile and satellite race between Russia and the United States.

"If we are going to live in a gadget age, we will have to have scientists to make the gadgets," he said.

He talked at the University of Tennessee tonight on work of the laboratories.

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and trucks, eleven rifles and some ammunition had been seized.

Skirmish in Majagua

Government forces also reported a skirmish in the Majagua district near San Luis, near Santiago de Cuba. The army said the troops killed two rebels and seized three jeeps and some arms and ammunition. One soldier was wounded.

Señor Castro declared "total war" on the Government of President Fulgencio Batista starting April 1. The rebel chief has said he would call a general revolutionary strike at the "opportune" moment. So far no strike has occurred.

President Batista told newsmen yesterday he was confident that his forces would defeat the rebels, but he conceded it could be a long struggle.

Meanwhile, rebel sources in Havana declared an announcement by army headquarters Saturday that a rebel band led by Señor Castro had been cut off from the Sierra Maestra was without foundation. These sources said that Señor Castro's officers had decided more than three months ago that he should not lead any guerrilla expeditions but should remain in his headquarters in the Sierra Maestra.

An official of the Consolidated Railway Company of Camaguey, which serves the eastern half of the island, also denied reports that the railroad's employes had gone out on strike. The official said the rebels had burned so many railway bridges in the eastern part of Camaguey Province that it was impossible to maintain train service.

In Havana, the police announced the arrest of eighteen youths accused of terrorism and attempts to provoke a general strike. Authorities said some of the youths were Communists and others were members of the Authentic organization headed by former President Carlos Prios Socarras.

Michigan Students Freed

HAVANA, April 7 (UP)—Two University of Michigan student newspaper men arrested because they were suspected of making contact with Cuban rebels were released today in Santiago de Cuba.

James Elsman and Barton Hathwaite, who had been picked up at their hotel yesterday by army intelligence officers, were freed when Park Fields Wollam, United States consul in Santiago, intervened.

The two youths, correspondents of The Michigan Daily, a student publication, had arrived in Santiago from Havana a few hours before their arrest.

Miami Newsman Arrested

MIAMI, April 7 (UP)—Television station WCKT reported today that Ben Silver, one of its newsmen, missing in Cuba since Saturday, had been reported under arrest at Santiago de Cuba.

Gene Strul, news director of the station, said the United States Embassy had found after an investigation that Mr. Silver was "safe." The embassy said he would be released and returned to Havana tomorrow.



Enad L. Cramer

SECLUDED REBEL ARMS SHOP: In this enclosure in Cuba's Sierra Maestra, so remote that even mules cannot reach it, weapons are repaired for forces of Fidel Castro.

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DD/P 3-8523

4 April 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

VIA : CCB/NC

SUBJECT : Sale of News Photographs by Arthur G. VAIVADA (ps)

1. It is requested that Arthur G. VAIVADA be granted permission to sell news photographs of Fidel CASTROS' Cuban Revolutionary Group to an appropriate United States news agency.

2. VAIVADA is a Career Agent who has very recently returned from a PCS assignment in Cuba. At the direction of the Western Hemisphere Division, VAIVADA spent the last three weeks of his Cuba assignment in the Sierra Maestra camp of Fidel CASTRO for the purpose of collecting current intelligence information on CASTRO's activities. As a result of his notional cover as a representative of a U. S. public opinion polling service, VAIVADA was able to take numerous photographs of current news interest. This Division considers the sale of these photographs as an integral part of the cover backstopping necessary to protect the identity of VAIVADA's actual sponsor (CIA) from three U. S. news media correspondents who were with VAIVADA during his visit with CASTRO. Also, the sale of these photographs would supplement a future news media cover for VAIVADA in his forthcoming PCS assignment in Mexico City.

3. All money resulting from the sale of these photographs will be retained by the Agency.

for R. Gomez
J. C. KING
CHIEF
WESTERN HEMISPHERE DIVISION

CONCUR:

Fred R. Youngblood
for CHIEF, CCB/NC

APPROVED:

for T. M. Caramessines
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CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

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DATE : 31 MARCH 58

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

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IN 12494

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 235

1. VAIVADA ARRIVING HQS EVENING 31 MARCH. WILL CONTACT CHAPRON.

2. ADVISING AMB PER DIR 12288 (OUT 54133)*APRIL 1 UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY. RELEASED 311703Z.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: * VIEW SENSITIVITY AND POSSIBILITY LEAK TO PRESS BY EMBASSY, HQS PERFER NO MENTION VAIVADA MISSION UNTIL ITS COMPLETION.

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DATE : 27 MARCH 1958

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IN 49228

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION : WH 5

INFO : S/C 2

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 232

RAYNOCK RECEIVED NOTE FROM VAIVADA 26 MAR. WILL LEAVE SIERRAS VIA MANZANILLO 28-31 MAR AND CALL RAYNOCK FROM THERE. COMMENT. REBEL ACTIVITY MANZANILLO AREA MAY DELAY CONTACT. 271630Z.

END OF MESSAGE

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DATE : 10 MARCH 1958

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION : WH 5

INFO : COP, CI, CI/OPS, S/C 2

ROUTINE

IN 41341

TO SACU INFO DIR CITE HAVA 189

ADVISE IMMEDIATELY WHEN YOU CAN CONFIRM VAIVADA HAS REACHED DESTINATION.-

END OF MESSAGE

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ORIG : R. REYNOLDS
UNIT : WH/III/CARIBBEAN
EXT : 2056
DATE : 5 MARCH 1958

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TO : HAVANA

FROM : DIRECTOR

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TO HAVA INFO MEXI CITE DIR 11212

RE HAVA 179 (IN 38161)(NOT SENT MEXI) *
MEXI 1017 (IN 26340)(NOT SENT HAVA)

1. FOR HAVA: LEAVE APPROVED.

2. FOR MEXI: VAIVADA ETA MEXI IS 20 MAY.

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*C/S COMMENT: VAIVADA REQUESTED 15-20 DAYS LEAVE COSTA RICA PRIOR ARRIVAL MEXI. PAPATE INTERVIEWED HIM 3 MARCH.

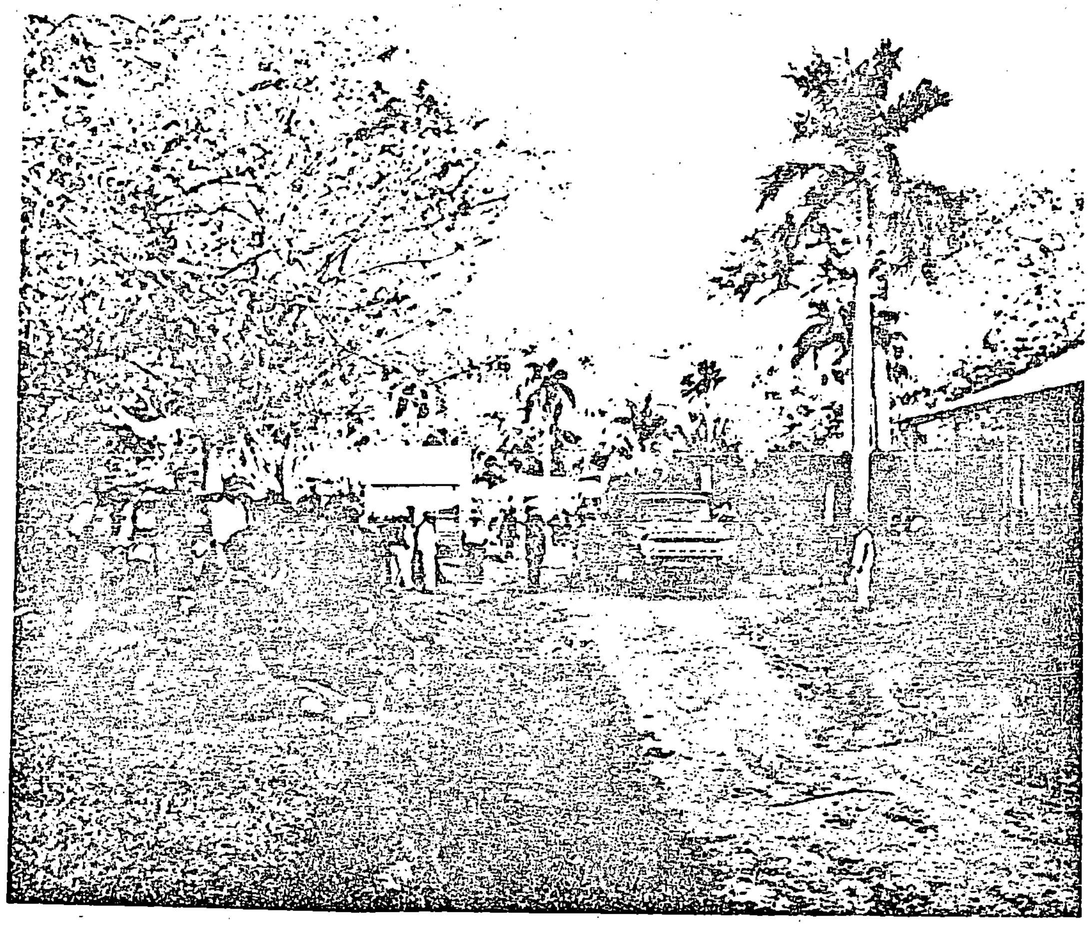
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WH/III/MEXICO
WH/Support
COORDINATING OFFICERS

J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER



Photos teken by Arthur G. Vaivada at Hqs. of Fidel CASTRO's forces in Sierra Maestra, March 1958.

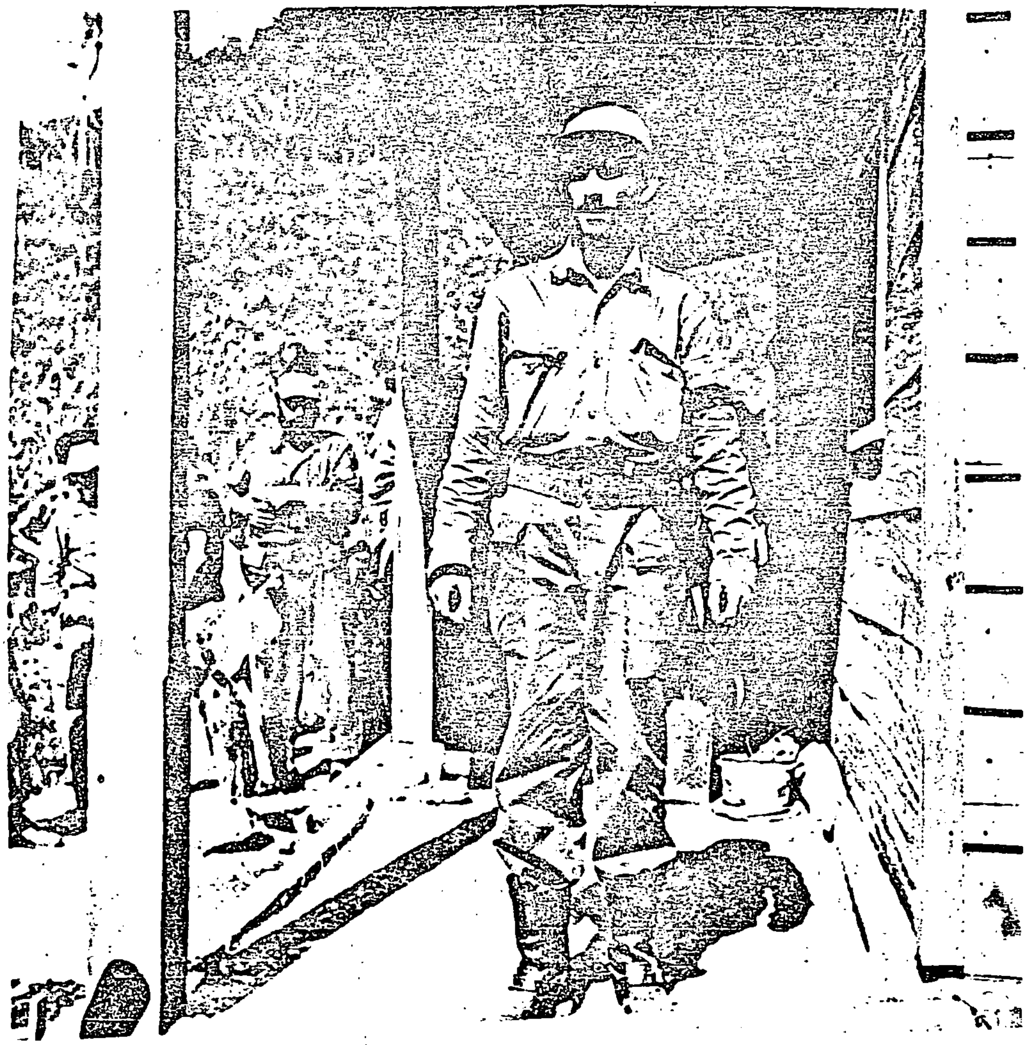
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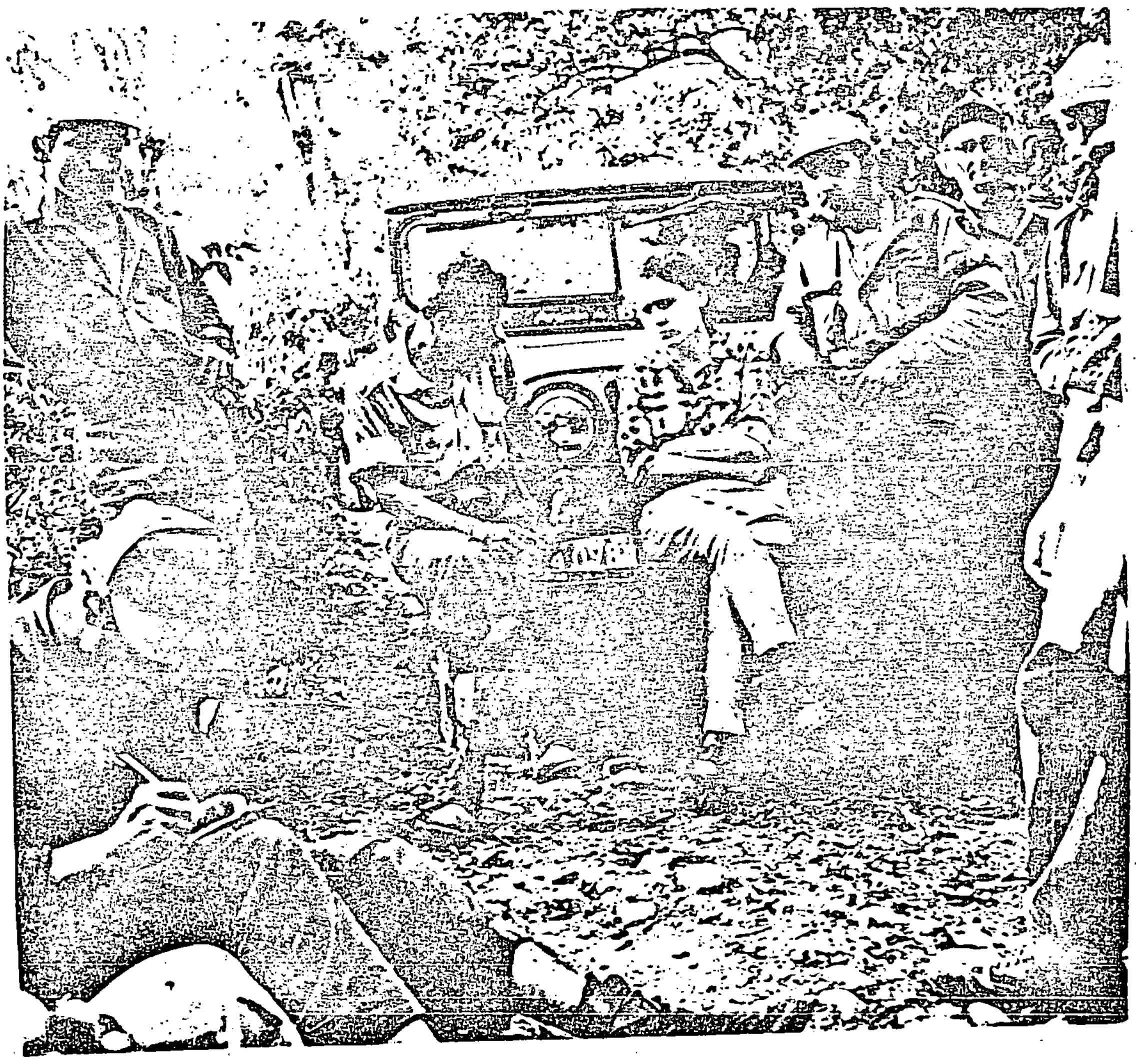


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UNIT : WH/III/CARIBBEAN
EXT : 2056
DATE : 27 FEBRUARY 1958

TO : HABANA

FROM : DIRECTOR

CONF : WH 5

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TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 10195

RE DIR 06765 (OUT 91241) *

REQUEST REPLY

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: *HQS DESIRED TO ASSIGN VALVADA PCS TO MEXI AS CP PENETRATION OPS CASE OFFICER UNDER UNOFFICIAL COVER AFTER COMPLETION CASTRO MISSION AND APPROX ONE MONTHS ORIENTATION AT HQS. QUERIED IF HE COULD COMPLETE MISSION AND MEET SCHEDULE.

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RI/Files

27 Feb. 58

for J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

S-E-C-R-E-T

R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/3
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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505 BC/JM/LR

ORIG : H. O. MACAULEY
UNIT : WH/III
EXT : 2056
DATE : 10 FEBRUARY 1958

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ROUTING

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TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 07387

REF: A. DIR 2147 (OUT 80587)
B. DIR 4551 (OUT 86187)

1. PROJECT AMPHODARCH AMENDED TO INCLUDE OBJECTIVES VAIVADA MISSION:

A. NAMES, BIOG AND BACKGROUND DATA AND POLITICAL ALIGNMENT TOP OFFICERS CASTRO STAFF.

B. STRENGTH, DEPLOYMENT, EQUIPMENT CASTRO ARMY.

C. EXTENT COMMIE PENETRATION CASTRO FORCES.

D. EXTENT COORDINATION AND SUPPORT FROM OTHER POLITICAL GROUPS, PARTICULARLY PSP.

E. GATHER OPS DATA FOR PLANTING FUTURE LONGTERM POLITICAL ACTION AGENT WITHIN CASTRO MOVEMENT TO DETECT AND COUNTERACT COMMIE PENETRATION.

2. PROJECT ALLOTMENT INCREASED $1000. APPROX COST MISSION ESTIMATED AS FOLLOWS: TRANSFER VAIVADA FAMILY SANJ $200; TRAVEL VAIVADA $200; STORAGE HHE AND CAR $600; MISC EMERGENCY OPS EXPENSE $1000. VAIVADA TO CONVERT SINGLE STATUS ALLOWANCE AND RECEIVE SEPARATION ALLOWANCE WHILE ON MISSION.

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DATE : 10 FEBRUARY 1958

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DIR 07387
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3. VAIVADA TO USE COVER REF B. HE IS NOT USE POLLING COVER FOR CURRENT ~~[illegible]~~ OPERATION. POLLING COVER TO BE REVEALED ONLY IF QUESTIONED REGARDING PAST ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. ACTIVITY. STATION TO PROVIDE ESCAPE AND EVASION PLAN USE EVENT NEED.

END OF MESSAGE

CS COMMENT: *HQS SUGGESTED BUCH BE ADVISED VAIVADA IS FREE LANCE WRITER WITH GOOD ODYOKE CONTACTS.

for J. C. KING, C/WH/
RELEASING OFFICER

FI/OPS
COORDINATING OFFICERS

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J. B. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/3
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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ORIG : H. O. MACAULEY
UNIT : WH/III/CARIBBEAN
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DATE : 5 FEBRUARY 1958

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FROM : DIRECTOR
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OUT 91241

TO HAVA INFO MEXI CITE DIR C6765

REF DIR 2147 (OUT 80587)*

1. HQS DESIRES ASSIGN VAIVADA PCS MEXI AS CP PENETRATION OPS CASE OFFICER UNDER UNOFFICIAL COVER AFTER COMPLETION CASTRO MISSION AND APPROX ONE MONTH ORIENTATION HQS.

2. MEXI REQUESTS VAIVADAS ARRIVAL MEXI ONE MAY FOR FURTHER ORIENTATION AND OVERLAP PRIOR DEPARTURE PREDECESSOR FLOYD N. POSTANY.

3. APPROVAL REQUESTED PAR 2 REF EXPECTED SHORTLY. ADVISE WHETHER HE CAN COMPLETE MISSION AND MEET ABOVE SCHEDULE

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: *DIR C2147 HQS AGREED VAIVADA WELL QUALIFIED TO UNDERTAKE MISSION PROVIDED MORE SUITABLE COVER COULD BE ARRANGED.

Coordinated by phone with:
ED ANDERSON, CI/ICD
WH/III/MEXI

5 Feb. 58
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COORDINATING OFFICERS

J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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DATE : 3 FEBRUARY 1958

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : MEXICO CITY

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ROUTINE

IN 26340

TO DIR INFO CITE MEXI 1017

RE: DIR 02146 (OUT 80586*)

1. VAIVADA ACCEPTABLE.

2. SUGGEST ARRIVE MEXI ON 1 MAY FOR ORIENTATION PRIOR POSTANY DEPARTURE.

3. POUCHING SUGGESTIONS RE COVER.

END OF MESSAGE

S/C COMMENT: *REQUESTED COMMENTS RE ARTHUR G. VAIVADA AS REPLACEMENT FOR POSTANY.

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VIA: A-I-R
(SPECIFY AIR OR SEA POUCH)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-A-1292
(201-168-881)
Field File No. 23-88/2-147

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TO : Chief, WHD

FROM : Chief of Station, Habana

DATE: 30 January 1958

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational/KUTUBE

SPECIFIC— Arthur G. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-W-2528, 6 January 1958

In reply to the query made in the referenced dispatch, VAIVADA has no objection to taking the LCFLUTTER test in June or as soon as he returns to Headquarters, and the Station sees no problem of morale or other nature for VAIVADA in the delay.

James R. Palinger
James R. Palinger

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ORIG : R. REYNOLDS
UNIT : WH/III
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OUT 86187

TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 04551

RE: HAVA-133 (IN-18923)*

HQS CONCURS BUT SUGGEST BUCH BE ADVISED VAIVADA IS FREELANCE WRITER WITH "GOOD ODYOKE CONTACTS".

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: EBERWEIN THROUGH CLOSE CONTACT LUIS BUCH, KEY FIGURE IN 26 JULY MOVEMENT, CAN ESTABLISH BONA FIDES FOR VAIVADA MISSION.

21 Jan. 58
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J. C. KING, C/WH
RELEASING OFFICER

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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/3
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January 20, 1958

MEMORANDUM

Arthur Vaivada

SUBJECT: Subject of our letter number 4025; Interest in Assignment in U. S.

Pallinger Sagger

1. In recent conversations with both JRP and RDS, Subject has broached the prospect of a possible assignment within the U. S. following completion of his Habana assignment. He says he would not want his statements re reassignment which were recently forwarded to Headquarters to be interpreted to mean that he is not interested in a U. S. tour. He says that he has been giving much thought to his future career, as well as to the needs of his family. He points out that he personally has now spent approximately 16 years, excepting vacations and short training periods, living and working outside the U. S., that his two children have never lived there, and that both he and his wife are concerned that too much time will elapse before they can provide their children with a period in the U. S. during their formative years.

2. It is the opinion of both RDS and JRP that Subject is at a point in his career development where a tour at Headquarters would be extremely beneficial. The Station lacks knowledge concerning the specific Headquarters jobs to which a person of Subject's status might be assigned; but it is our understanding that OTR sometimes employs these persons as instructors. We believe that a tour with OTR would not only remedy in great measure deficiencies in Subject's background caused by lack of Headquarters experience, but would at the same time afford OTR excellent instructor material.

3. In view of Subject's own interest in such an assignment, and our estimate of the potential value to him and to the Organization that would accrue from it, we recommend that Headquarters arrange such an assignment if at all possible.

4. In view of the likelihood of Subject's transfer in the near future, a prompt decision is requested.

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FROM : HAVANA

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ROUTINE

IN 18923

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 133

RE: DIR ~~01247~~ 02147 *

1. EBERWEIN THROUGH CLOSE CONTACT LUIS BUCH, KEY FIGURE IN 26 JULY MOVEMENT, CAN ESTABLISH BONA FIDES FOR VAIVADA MISSION. VAIVADA THINKS CHANCES SUCCESS WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF CASTRO BELIEVES HE IS UNOFFICIAL U.S. OBSERVER. STATION CONCURS AND SUGGESTS BUCH BE DISCREETLY INFORMED ANYTHING CASTRO TELLS VAIVADA WILL FIND ITS WAY TO U.S. GOVT CHANNELS. LIGHT FREELANCE WRITER COVER WILL THEN BE ADEQUATE.

2. REQUEST HQS APPROVAL PROCEED THIS BASIS UNLESS EVENTS ORIENTE FORCE DELAY.

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END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: * APPARENTLY WRONG REFERENCE.

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ORIG : A. O. MACAULEY
UNIT : WH/III/CARIBBEAN
EXT : 2056
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TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 02147

REF: HAVA-119 (IN 13410)*

1. HQS AGREES VAIVADA WELL QUALIFIED TO UNDERTAKE MISSION PROVIDED MORE SUITABLE COVER CAN BE ARRANGED. BELIEVE HIS FORMER COVER AS FREE LANCE WRITER WOULD BE MORE ADEQUATE FOR CONTACTING CASTRO. PROPOSED COVER REF COULD BE USED ONLY EVENT CAPTURE BY AUTHORITIES. DESIRE HE LEAVE ON MISSION NOT LATER END FEB. MEANWHILE VAIVADA CAN ARRANGE INTERVIEW FAUSTINO PEREZ.

2. PROJECT AMPHODARCH AMENDMENT UNDER PROCESS TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES AND COVERAGE TRANSFER FAMILY COSTA RICA AND DISPOSITION HHE AND AUTO. HQS WILL ADVISE APPROVAL.

3. VAIVADA'S NEXT ASSIGNMENT UNDER STUDY AND EXPECT DECISION PRIOR END FEB.

4. FREAPANE PCS HAVA UNLIKELY BEFORE ONE APRIL.

END OF MESSAGE

C/S COMMENT: *REQUESTED HQS COMMENTS ON ASSIGNING ARTHUR G. VAIVADA TO VISIT CASTRO.

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for J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA AIR (Specify Air or Sea Pouch)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-A-2528

201-168-881

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TO Chief of Station, Habana 6 JAN 58 10 08

FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT GENERAL Operational/KUTUBE
SPECIFIC Arthur G. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-A-2380, 16 October 1957
HKH-A-3990, 24 October 1957

Action Required: As indicated in paragraph 1.

1. With reference to KUSODA's request that VAIVADA be given an LCFLUTTER test as soon as possible, we have taken the position that, inasmuch as he is to return to Headquarters in June, there is little point in incurring the added expense for a trip now. However, he should understand that his continued employment under his new contract is contingent upon satisfactory completion of such a test. This, of course is no different from the requirements made of any employee; there merely is a time lag in his case because of distance. KUSODA has agreed to the delay providing VAIVADA is so advised.

2. Although we do not expect any problem, if VAIVADA is disturbed over having something like this hanging fire, and you feel there is a real morale problem involved, we will go ahead with it now. Our action will be entirely dependent upon KOCHOA's evaluation of the degree of importance this has for VAIVADA.

18 December 1957

J. C. KING
CHIEF, WHD

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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III (Authenticating officer)

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ORIG : A. G. SPERA
UNIT : WHD
EXT : 2555
DATE : 6 JANUARY 1958

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TO : MEXICO CITY

FROM : DIRECTOR

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TO MEXI   INFO   CITE DIR 02146

~~REF: HMMW-5825, HMMW-5826 (2 DISP)~~

HMMW 5825 AND HMMW 5826 ~~[illegible]~~ FORWARD BIO AND OPS DATA RE ARTHUR G. VAIVADA CAREER AGENT WITH EXCELLENT COMMUNIST OPS RECORD IN COSTA RICA, GUATEMALA AND HAVANA STATIONS SINCE 1949. BEING CONSIDERED AS REPLACEMENT FOR POSTANY. NOW IN HAVANA COULD TRANSFER MEXI APRIL TO JUNE 58. PLEASE CABLE COMMENTS UPON RECEIPT DISPATCHES.

END OF MESSAGE.

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FROM : HAVANA

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ROUTINE

IN 1341Ø

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 119

RE: DIR ØØ452 (OUT 76181) *

1. ARTHUR G VAIVADA BELIEVES CAN ARRANGE VISIT CASTRO THROUGH CASUAL CONTACT PROVINCIAL 26 JULY LEADER HE MET THROUGH AMOURETTE-9. COVER WOULD BE AS AMERICAN REP SURVEY CORP INTERESTED PENETRATING CENSORSHIP BARRIER TO LEARN EXTENT COMMIE PENETRATION OF MOVT. PROVINCIAL LEADER VOLUNTARILY ARRANGING VAIVADA INTERVIEW WITH FAUSTINO PEREZ (HKH 1535) HAVA NEXT TEN DAYS.

2. VIAVADA EAGER UNDERTAKE MISSION AND WELL QUALIFIED VIEW WARTIME TRAINING JUNGLE TECHNIQUES, KNOWLEDGE CUBA, LANGUAGE CAPABILITY AND CLANDESTINE EXPERIENCE. WOULD WANT SEND FAMILY COSTA RICA AND JOIN THEM AFTER COMPLETION TASK. THIS WOULD NECESSITATE FINDING NEW AMOURETTE-B CUT-OUT, BUT STATION CAN FIND TEMPORARY REPLACEMENT PENDING ARRIVAL FREAPANE.

3. VAIVADA WOULD NEED TWO-THREE WEEKS LAY ON CAREFUL ARRANGEMENTS AND PROBABLY COULD LEAVE FOR SIERRA END JAN. REQUEST HQS COMMENTS. RELEASED Ø221Ø5Z.

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END OF MESSAGE

CS COMMENT: * HQS ATTACHES SUFFICIENT IMPORTANCE CASTRO MOVEMENT JUSTIFY COVERAGE FROM SEVERAL ANGLES.

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VIA: A I R
(SPECIFY AIR OR SEA POUCH)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-A-3990

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TO : Chief, WHD

DATE: 24 October 1957

FROM : Acting Chief of Station, Habana

SUBJECT: GENERAL—Operational

SPECIFIC—Arthur G. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-W-2380, dated 16 October 1957

1. The Subject has no objection to submitting to an LCFLUTTER test at the convenience of Headquarters. This could be easily arranged here in the event an LCFLUTTER team is passing, or could pass, through Habana; on the other hand, VAIVADA could just as easily go to any designated place in Florida in order to take this test. It is understood that LCFLUTTER teams from time to time visit that state.

2. The Station will take such measures as are feasible to cover the activities of Subject and his wife while in Habana.

3. While the matter was not referred to in the reference, Subject's projected one-year tour of duty will end in June, 1958, at which time it is VAIVADA's desire to leave Cuba for a reassignment in another area in his present line of operational work and under similar unofficial cover conditions. A detailed dispatch on this subject will shortly be transmitted to Headquarters; it is referred to here so that the Headquarters desk may be alerted to the need for considering what assignments would be open to VAIVADA during the Spring or Summer of 1958.

James R. Palinger
James R. Palinger

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

FROM: WH/Personnel

NO.

DATE 5 December 1956

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)	DATE REC'D	DATE FWD'D	OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS (Number each comment to show from whom to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)
1. WH/Pers Ofcr	6 Dec	6	pcB	
2. WH/Admin	5 Dec	5	HB	
3. WH/Personnel	6 Dec	6		
4. DI/CSP, 2050 "L" BLDG	7 Dec 56	7 Dec 56	EWD	
5. ~~Contract Pers Div Wing 2F, Curie Hall~~				
6. 2309 "L" CS/CSP Sec B	10 DEC 1956			
7. Chairman [illegible] 1711-L	3 Jan 1957	9 Jan	E[illegible]	7. For approval ~~[illegible] for proper routing [illegible] signs.~~ ~~Please call [illegible]~~ [illegible] X4641
8. 2309-L ~~CS/CSP Sec B~~				
9. ~~Chief FI/Ops~~ 1711 L				7 to 10 & 11 - Chief FI Ops believes this man should be considered for Career Agent not Staff Agent Status. I have already discussed with Mr. Roland & therefore papers are returned herewith.
10. WH Personnel	11 Jan	11	pcB	
11. WH III/Cuba				
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STANDARD FORM 52
PROMULGATED BY THE
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FEDERAL PERSONNEL MANUAL CHAPTER

REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL ACTION

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REQUESTING OFFICE: Fill in items 1 through 12 and A through D except 6B and 7 unless otherwise instructed. If applicable, obtain resignation and fill in separation data on reverse.

1. NAME (Mr.—Miss—Mrs.—One given name, initial(s), and surname)	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. REQUEST NO.	4. DATE OF REQUEST
Arthur G. VAIVADA (Pseudo)	20 June 1922		5 Dec 56

5. NATURE OF ACTION REQUESTED:
A. PERSONNEL (Specify whether appointment, promotion, separation, etc.)
Excepted Appointment (Staff Agent)

B. POSITION (Specify whether establish, change grade or title, etc.)

6. EFFECTIVE DATE
A. PROPOSED:
B. APPROVED:

7. C. S. OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY

	FROM—		TO—
8. POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER			I.O. (FI) BAP- *
9. SERVICE, GRADE, AND SALARY			GS-0136.51-11 $6390.00 p.a.
10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS			DDP/WH Branch III Havana, Cuba Station Project AMPHODARCH
11. HEADQUARTERS			Havana, Cuba
12. FIELD OR DEPARTMENTAL	☐ FIELD ☐ DEPARTMENTAL		☒ FIELD ☐ DEPARTMENTAL

A. REMARKS (Use reverse if necessary)

* A memorandum has been forwarded to the Director of Personnel requesting that position BAP-409, San Jose, Costa Rica, be transferred to Havana, Cuba and upgraded to GS-12.

B. REQUESTED BY (Name and title)
[signature]

C. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL (Name and telephone extension)
J. KOFLANOVICH X-8242

D. REQUEST APPROVED BY
Signature:
Title:

13. VETERAN PREFERENCE

NONE	WWII	OTHER	5-PT.	10-POINT DISAB.	10-POINT OTHER
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14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION

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15. SEX	16. RACE	17. APPROPRIATION	18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES—NO)	19. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (ACCESSIONS ONLY)	20. LEGAL RESIDENCE
M	W	FROM: TO:	Yes		☐ CLAIMED ☐ PROVED STATE:

21. STANDARD FORM 50 REMARKS

22. CLEARANCES	INITIAL OR SIGNATURE	DATE	REMARKS:
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STANDARD FORM 52
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...FEDERAL PERSONNEL MANUAL CHAPTER 81

REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL ACTION

REQUESTING OFFICE: Fill in items 1 through 12 and A through D except 6B and 7 unless otherwise instructed. If applicable, obtain resignation and fill in separation data on reverse.

1. NAME (Mr.—Miss—Mrs.—One given name, initial(s), and surname)	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. REQUEST NO.	4. DATE OF REQUEST
Arthur G. VAIVADA (Pseudo)	30 June 1922		5 Dec 56

5. NATURE OF ACTION REQUESTED:
A. PERSONNEL (Specify whether appointment, promotion, separation, etc.)
Excepted Appointment (Staff Agent)

6. EFFECTIVE DATE A. PROPOSED:
B. APPROVED:

7. C. S. OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY

B. POSITION (Specify whether establish, change grade or title, etc.)

	FROM—		TO—
8. POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER			I.O. (FI) DAP-*
9. SERVICE, GRADE, AND SALARY			GS-0136.51-11 $6390.00 p.a.
10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS			DDP/WH Branch III Havana, Cuba Station Project AMPRODARCH
11. HEADQUARTERS			Havana, Cuba
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B. REQUESTED BY (Name and title)

C. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL (Name and telephone extension)
J. [illegible] X-6262

D. REQUEST APPROVED BY
Signature:
Title:

13. VETERAN PREFERENCE: NONE | WWII | OTHER | 5-PT. | 10-POINT DISAB. | OTHER
14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION: NEW | VICE | I. A. | REAL. SO-DI

15. SEX M | 16. RACE W | 17. APPROPRIATION FROM: TO: | 18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES—NO) Yes | 19. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (ACCESSIONS ONLY) | 20. LEGAL RESIDENCE ☐ CLAIMED ☐ PROVED STATE:

21. STANDARD FORM 50 REMARKS

Not used Cancel in Havana

22. CLEARANCES	INITIAL OR SIGNATURE	DATE	REMARKS:
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CONTRACT INFORMATION AND CHECK LIST (CONTINUED)

NOTE: *SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON FIRST SHEET.*

CASE OFFICER	DIVISION
James B. Noland	WH/III
TELEPHONE EXTENSION: 2971	DATE: 4 December 1956

SECTION VIII — OTHER BENEFITS

46. BENEFITS *(See Part XIV of Confidential Fund Regulations or successor regulations for benefits applicable to various categories of contract personnel. If medical benefits are requested, see R 15-230 or successor regulations.)*

All benefits normally given to a CIA staff employee.

SECTION IX — COVER ACTIVITY

47. STATUS (Check): [ ] PROPOSED [X] ESTABLISHED

48. TYPE (Check): [ ] PROPRIETARY [X] CULTURAL [ ] COMMERCIAL [ ] TOURIST [ ] SUBSIDIZED [ ] EDUCATIONAL [ ] MILITARY [ ] OTHER

49. IF COVER PAYMENTS ARE CONTEMPLATED, THEY WILL BE EFFECTED ON REIMBURSABLE BASIS: [ ] YES [X] NO [ ] COMPLETE [ ] PARTIAL

SECTION X — OFFSET OF INCOME

50. OFFSET OF INCOME AND OTHER EMOLUMENTS DERIVED FROM COVER ACTIVITIES *(If less than total, justify in separate memo attached hereto.)*: [ ] TOTAL [X] PARTIAL [ ] NONE

SECTION XI — TERM

51. DURATION: DAYS ___ MONTHS ___ 2 YEARS

52. EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate

53. RENEWABLE: [X] YES [ ] NO

54. TERMINATION NOTICE *(Number of days)*: Thirty days

55. FORFEITURE OF RETURN TRAVEL FOR RESIGNATION PRIOR TO CONTRACT TERMINATION: [X] YES [ ] NO

SECTION XII — FUNCTION

56. PRIMARY FUNCTION *(FI, PP, other)*: FI Operations

SECTION XIII — DUTIES

57. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED

Spotting and recruiting agents. Obtaining information as principal agent for comprehensive youth-student net, with emphasis on Communist and revolutionary matters.

SECTION XIV — QUALIFICATIONS

58. EXPERIENCE

Army and Air Force intelligence. CIA Training. Other as indicated in Number 6, above.

59. EDUCATION *(Check Highest Level Attained)*: [X] GRADE SCHOOL [X] HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] TRADE SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] BUSINESS SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] COMMERCIAL SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] COLLEGE *(No degree)* [X] COLLEGE DEGREE [ ] POST GRADUATE [ ] MA [ ] PHD

60. LANGUAGE COMPETENCY *(Check Appropriate Degree Competency)*

LANGUAGE	SPEAK: FLUENT	SPEAK: AVERAGE	SPEAK: POOR	WRITE: FLUENT	WRITE: AVERAGE	WRITE: POOR	READ: FLUENT	READ: AVERAGE	READ: POOR
Spanish	x				x		x		

61. INDIVIDUAL'S COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: USA

62. AREA KNOWLEDGE

Very good.

SECTION XV — PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

63. JOB AND SALARY PRIOR TO SERVICE FOR CIA

1940 - 1945: T/Sgt USA, USAF; Intelligence NCO
Jan 1945 - April 1946: Leading man labor, $12.88 per day, US Naval Air Station, Coco Solo, Canal Zone
April 1946 - April 1949: T/Sgt USAF, Intelligence NCO, Albrook Field, Canal Zone

SECTION XVI — ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

64. ADDITIONAL OR UNUSUAL REQUIREMENTS, JUSTIFICATIONS OR EXPLANATIONS *(Use other side if necessary)*

Performance of Subject has been outstanding. He has proved particularly adept at spotting and recruiting of agents and his work has been highly praised by the COS, Habana. FI/Plans/Projects has stated of Subject that he "has obviously been a valuable, deep cover

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APPROVAL

DATE	TYPED NAME & SIGNATURE OF DIVISION OFFICER	DATE	TYPED NAME & SIGNATURE OF SENIOR STAFF OFFICER
	J K Galbraith		

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13 November 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, FI

SUBJECT : Request for Conversion of Arthur G. VAIVADA From Contract to Staff Status

REFERENCE : HKH-A-2577

1. Referenced dispatch from the field recommends the conversion of contract agent Arthur G. VAIVADA to staff status, and presents a strong case for such conversion. VAIVADA has served CIA in a contract capacity since 1949, with a continuous high level of performance; first in Costa Rica, later in Guatemala and Cuba. He is currently assigned to Cuba and is expected to remain there indefinitely. VAIVADA is 34 years old and was promoted recently to the equivalent of a GS-10 rating. His expressed career interests lie in continued employment by CIA, more especially in the area ofunofficial cover assignments, for which he is highly suited.

2. Unfortunately Subject's spouse (since 1945) is a Costa Rican citizen, a situation which complicates his proposed conversion somewhat. She has expressed a desire to acquire U.S. citizenship, however, and it has been determined that this can be arranged within the next several months, barring unforeseen developments. She will be required to spend most of this period in the U.S. and is currently making plans to do so.

3. In view of VAIVADA's outstanding record as a contract agent, his strong overall qualifications, and his expressed desire for a career with CIA, it is recommended that he be granted staff status at grade GS-11, contingent upon his wife's first becoming a U.S. citizen, and providing he can meet Security and other requirements. There is available in WH Division a staff position (BAF-409) to which VAIVADA can be assigned.

4. WH Division contemplates bringing VAIVADA to the U.S. for covert training in the near future.

5. Approval for the conversion of VAIVADA from contract to staff status, as indicated above, is hereby requested.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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20 September 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA; Staff Status

1. The undersigned discussed case this date with Mr. Myers (2709 "I"; telephone extension 2551-2552) and with Mr. Pennington (2044 "I") both of Security Division. Mr. Myers was shown the content of HKH-A-________ (recommendation for staff status for VAIVADA) and apprised of the problem of Mrs. VAIVADA not being a U.S. citizen. Myers stated that, while cases like this were usually very difficult, he felt this particular one might be justified in view of VAIVADA's long and excellent record with the Agency and the relatively long time during which he has been married. Myers indicated that the procedure would be as follows:

> Presentation of a formal request for waiver on citizenship requirements for spouse and granting of staff status to Subject. The memorandum would be prepared for Personnel, would then go to Security, and subsequently, with recommendations of both, to Deputy Director, who would have the final decision in this case.

Myers was to discuss the matter further with other elements of Security and advise within the next several days as to what the next step should be.

It later developed that this would be extremely difficult; that it would be much more profitable to concentrate on

2. Considering the possibility that such a request might be turned down, the undersigned discussed with Pennington the procedures for acquisition of citizenship for Mrs. VAIVADA, and determined that this should be relatively simple. The requirements were: presence in the U.S. (vicinity of Washington) for approximately forty-five days with some additional time to acquire passport. So long as we have nothing that would make her inadmissable to the U.S., the basic requirements would be: ability to speak English and to pass a relatively simple test based on pamphlet which would be given to her for study. Security would presumably handle her case when she arrives in the States.

3. It has occurred to the undersigned that perhaps, if it is necessary for Mrs. VAIVADA to acquire citizenship, VAIVADA himself could be brought to the Washington vicinity for training purposes in order to facilitate the visit of his wife, expenses, etc. This would at the same time afford an opportunity to provide VAIVADA with formal Headquarters or PBPRIME training ~~of which he has had none to date.~~

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J. B. NOLAND 201-168771

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24 September 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

SUBJECT : Proposed Staff Status for Arthur G. VAIVADA

REFERENCE : HKH-A-2577, 17 April 1956

1. Referenced dispatch from the field recommends the conversion of contract agent Arthur G. VAIVADA to staff status, and presents a good case for such conversion. VAIVADA has served CIA in a contract capacity since 1949 with a continuous high level of performance; first in Costa Rica, later in Guatemala and Cuba. He is 34 years old and was promoted recently to the equivalent of a grade GS-10. His expressed career interests lie in continued employment by CIA, more especially in the area of unofficial cover assignments, for which he is highly suited.

2. Unfortunately Subject's spouse (since 1945) is a Costa Rican citizen. Preliminary investigation at Headquarters has revealed that Subject's conversion to staff status is virtually out of the question so long as his wife remains an alien. It has also been determined, however, that the wife can acquire U.S. citizenship within a span of 45 days if she so desires and is willing to come to the U.S. for that period of time. This would remove the major stumbling block to acquisition of staff status for VAIVADA.

3. In view of VAIVADA's outstanding record as a contract agent, his strong overall qualifications and his expressed desire for a career with CIA, it is recommended that (a) VAIVADA's wife be encouraged to seek U.S. citizenship under the terms outlined above (b) VAIVADA be granted staff status, contingent upon his wife's first becoming a U.S. citizen, and providing he can meet all other requirements. C/WH/III has endorsed the recommendation for staff status and a suggestion by C/WH/Admin that BAF-409, a new position currently alloted to San Jose, be transferred to Habana to be filled by VAIVADA.

4. It is further recommended that WH Division consider bringing VAIVADA to the U.S. for covert training to coincide with his wife's stay (at Headquarters' convenience). This would facilitate acquisition of citizenship for the wife and at the same time afford VAIVADA a chance for additional Headquarters training. Subject previously received covert training at Headquarters from 5 October through 25 November 1953.

J. B. Noland

J. B. NOLAND, C/WH/III/Cuba

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HKH-W-1366

17 SEP 1956

: Chief of Station, Habana

: Chief, WHD

- Administrative
- Arthur G. VAIVADA

REFERENCE: HKH-W-1519, 17 August 1956

Attached for your information and retention in Station files is a copy of the latest contract extension for Arthur G. VAIVADA.

J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

Attachment:
1 - as above

12 September 1956

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J. C. KING, CHIEF, WHD

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W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III

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OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA A I R (Specify Air or Sea Pouch)

DISPATCH NO. ~~HKH-W-2380~~

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TO Chief of Station, Habana

DATE 16 OCT 57 11 07

FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT
GENERAL Operational
SPECIFIC Arthur G. VAIVADA

References: HBS-W- 1326 (not sent to Habana)
HBS-A, 3 September 1957

1. At the time the request was submitted to convert Subject from Contract Agent to Career Agent status, a provisional covert security clearance was granted for that purpose. KUSODA recently advised that a full covert security clearance had been granted for the use of Subject as Principal Agent, under-official cover, in Project AMHOD-ACH, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the memorandum of the Chief, KUBARK, dated 14 February 1949, entitled "Security and Operational Clearances."

2. At the same time, KUSODA requested the following action to be taken:

a. That full overseas traces and such actual overseas investigation as is possible be taken on Subject and his wife and her family; and,

b. That arrangements be made to have Subject affronted with a LCFLUTTER test as soon as feasible.

3. Headquarters has already initiated the action set forth in Para 2 (a) requesting full traces and investigation of Subject and his wife and her family in Panama City and San Jose. Todate only San Jose has replied with HBSA-2938, copy of which was sent to Habana. Station Habana is requested to take appropriate action to cover Subject's and his wife's activities during their residence in Habana, and inform Headquarters of the results.

4. With reference to KUSODA's request for a LCFLUTTER test on Subject, they have expressed their desire to have Subject tested in the field as soon as possible, or as soon as the appropriate arrangements can be made. KUSODA has indicated that they will be happy to assist in arranging this test.

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However, Headquarters would appreciate receiving the Station's views and comments on the matter as quickly as possible so that KUSODA may be advised and can make the necessary planning.

5. The station is reminded that subjects of covert security clearances are not to represent themselves as, nor are they to be represented as, employees of KUBARK. Your attention is also called to the fact that a covert security clearance does not constitute complete compliance with the provisions KUBARK Regulation 10-210. Therefore, if the station should desire at a later date to change the status or use of Subject, a request for clearance to cover any proposed change should be submitted to Headquarters.

11 October 1957

J. C. King
J. C. KING
CHIEF, WHD

Distribution:
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1 - Subject

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WH/III/Cuba/HOMacAULEY/js

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Charles E Ople
for J. C. KING, C/WHD
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R. N. DAHLGREN, C/WH/III
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REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION AND APPROVAL	DATE 11 September 1957
	PROJECT

TO: CI/Operational Approval and Support Division	FROM: (Division) WH/BR-3/Cuba

SUBJECT	CI/OA FILE NO.	SO FILE NO.
TRUE NAME	C-25507	
CRYPTONYM OR PSEUDONYM Arthur G. VAIVADA (Sp.)		

TYPE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE

Career agent

USE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE (Full details)

It is requested that Subject's OA be amended to allow the Station to use him as a contact between the Case Officer and Project AMOURETTE-B, and other PP assets at the Station's discretion, on a temporary basis until a permanent PP staff agent can be assigned to these duties. This temporary assignement will not interfere with Subject's regular FI duties.

Basis of the request: HAVA-016 (IN48405)

TYPE ACTION REQUESTED

	PROVISIONAL APPROVAL		PROVISIONAL COVERT SECURITY APPROVAL
	OPERATIONAL APPROVAL		COVERT SECURITY APPROVAL
	GOVERNMENT NAME CHECK		PROPRIETARY APPROVAL
	SPECIAL INQUIRY (SO field investigation)	X	OTHER: amendment of OA

PRQ AND GREEN LIST STATUS

	PRQ I, OR EQUIVALENT, IS ATTACHED IN TWO COPIES		PRQ II WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED
	PRQ II IS ATTACHED, IF OBTAINABLE		GREEN LIST CHECK HAS BEEN INITIATED

FIELD TRACES

	REVEAL NO INFORMATION OF VALUE		WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED
	REVEAL INFORMATION AS ATTACHED		NOT INITIATED. NOT EXPECTED TO POSSESS RELEVANT INFO.

SUGGESTED INVESTIGATIVE COVER

	GOVERNMENT		ACADEMIC
	COMMERCIAL		OTHER:

RI TRACES		DIVISION TRACES	
RECORD	NO RECORD	RECORD	NO RECORD

INDICATE SPECIAL LIMITATIONS ON INVESTIGATION OR SPECIAL COVERAGE DESIRED

SUBJECT	IS	X	AWARE		UNAWARE OF CIA INTEREST
		X	AWARE		UNAWARE OF U.S. GOVERNMENT INTEREST
			AWARE		UNAWARE OF IMPENDING INVESTIGATION
	HAS		BEEN		NOT BEEN BRIEFED ON A "COVER STORY"

SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER	EXTENSION	SIGNATURE OF BRANCH CHIEF
Hugh D. MacAuley, WH/3/Cuba	2056	J. Brady, AC/WH/BR-3

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DATE : 26 AUGUST 57

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REC'D CABLE SECT.

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION : WH 5

INFO : FI/OPS 2, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

ROUTINE

IN 42938

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 999

RE: DIR 31708 (OUT 82423)

ADDRESS IS CALLE 6 NUMBER 311 ALTOS, ENTRE 15Y17, VEDADO, HAVA, CUBA. GROWERY ACTING.

END OF MESSAGE

Subject. Arturo G. VAIVADA -

Info passed to Cover Div.
1211 ALCOT Hall Wing B -
27 Aug 1957
MCG

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ORIG : HO MACAULEY 64
UNIT : WH/III/CUBA
EXT : 2056
DATE : 20 AUGUST 1957

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TO : HAVA

FROM : DIRECTOR

CONF : WH 5

INFO : FI/OPS 2, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

PRECEDENCE				
	DEFERRED		PRIORITY	INITIALS
X	ROUTINE		OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	INITIALS

OUT82423

TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 31708

REQUEST VAIVADA'S HOME AND OR MAILING ADDRESS FOR COVER PURPOSE.

END OF MESSAGE

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J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

S-E-C-R-E-T

J. BRADY, AC/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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MEMORANDUM FOR: WH/III - Willard Galbraith, Chief 15 Jul 57

FROM: CI/Operational Approval and Support Division

SUBJECT: CROZIER, Ross Lester

1. Your request dated 26 Feb 56 for approval to use the Subject has been processed by the Office of Security.

2. The results of this action are transmitted herewith.

Attachment:

so memo 3 Jul 57. ac

Thomas Carroll, Jr.

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3 JUL 1957

Chief, CI/OA

Deputy Director of Security (Investigations and Support)

C-25507
#112569

1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 28 February 1957 wherein a covert security approval was requested to enable the Subject's conversion from contract agent to career agent status for use as principal agent for Project AMPHOBARCH in Cuba under non-official cover. Reference is also made to our memorandum of 2 April 1957 in which a provisional covert security clearance was granted for the above use.

2. In accordance with the provisions set forth in the Director's Memorandum of 14 February 1949 entitled, "Security and Operational Clearances," a covert security clearance is granted for the use of the Subject, as described in your request as set forth in paragraph 1, above.

3. This clearance is contingent upon the following:

a. The receipt by this office of full overseas traces and such actual overseas investigation as is possible on Subject and on his wife and her family.

b. that Subject be afforded a polygraph interrogation as soon as possible and that the verbatum results be promptly furnished to this office. The Office of Security will be happy to assist in arranging this interrogation.

4. Subjects of covert security clearances are not to represent themselves as, nor are they to be represented as, employees of CIA.

5. Your attention is called to the fact that a covert security clearance does not constitute complete compliance with the provisions of CIA Regulation 10-210. Therefore, if you should desire at a later date to change the status or use of this individual, a request for clearance to cover any proposed change should be submitted to this office.

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6. This clearance becomes invalid in the event the Subject's services are not utilized within 60 days of the date of this memorandum.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY:

Robert H. Cunningham

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Chief, CI/OA

Deputy Director of Security (Investigations and Support)

C-25507
#112569

1. Concurrent with this memorandum a covert security clearance is being issued to enable the Subject's conversion from contract agent to career agent for use as principal agent for Project AMPHODARCH in Cuba under non-official cover.

2. This is to advise that information has been received from a confidential source of the Office of Security concerning Argentina CORDERO Calderon and her sister, Counsuelo, who are believed to be the Subject's wife and sister-in-law respectively. According to a December 1944 report, the above individuals were described as Costa Rican citizens then in Panama under suspicion and members of the Russian Ballet team of Pedro and Lidia GHUPRUNE. Argentina is known to speak and understand German. She was formerly married to Pedro MARZAL, reportedly a German national and formerly on both British and U. S. Proclaimed List. She is reliably reported to have made pro-German remarks and is pro-German in her sympathies. It was further reported that both of the above individuals have at times attempted to secure information from members of the American Armed Forces.

3. In view of the above information, it is requested that current overseas traces and investigation be conducted on the Subject as well as on his wife and sister-in-law, Counsuelo, and other members of his wife's immediate family and that the results thereof be furnished this office.

4. The covert security clearance which is being issued in this case is made contingent upon the faovrable results of the requested overseas traces and investigation.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY:

Robert H. Cunningham

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20 June 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contract Personnel Division

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA (Ps.)

1. Subject's contract dated 1 August 1954 was amended to provide him with an additional compensation to cover quarters allowance for his family in Costa Rica from 21 February 1957, when he and his family were ordered to leave Habana for operational security reasons; and to cover the period Subject was on TDY for training purposes at Headquarters.

2. Subject returned to Habana with his wife on 14 May 1957, to resume his duties as Principal Agent of Project AMHODARCH. His children joined him in Habana from Costa Rica on 21 May 1957.

3. It is requested that Subject's Habana allowances, as set forth in his contract dated 1 August 1954, and subsequently amended, be reinstated for the period 14 to 31 May 1957. His new contract converting him to Career Agent status was effective on 1 June 1957.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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VIA: AIR (SPECIFY AIR OR SEA POUCH)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-A-3675

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TO : Chief, WHD

DATE: 13 June 1957

FROM : Chief of Station, Habana

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational

SPECIFIC— Arthur G. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-W-2268, 22 May 1957

1. Forwarded under separate cover is a copy of a Memo on Cover Status prepared by Subject as requested by Headquarters, outlining his estimate of the situation and including a draft statement for Headquarters' use in preparing the directive his cover firm will transmit to him.

2. Subject's Memo and outline appear adequate in the opinion of the Station; therefore Headquarters can proceed to prepare appropriate business letterheads and cards (described in paragraph 2 of the reference) and mail them to Subject.

James R. Palinger
James R. Palinger.

Attachment:
1 - Memo on Cover Status (single copy) U/S/C

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2 - Files w/att

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10 June 1957

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La Habana, Cuba

June 10, 1957

Memo on Cover Status - Arthur G. Vaivada

1. Enclosed herewith is the outline of an idea in keeping with the nature of this notional cover plan of a temporary nature. Careful consideration has been given to a number of ideas, all of which were rejected because possible local conflicts. This idea is still general enough (and I hope convincing) to leave opportunity for changes and/or improvement at Headquarters. The idea, and the terminology, was gleaned from the pages of "Investment in Cuba", a July 1956 study published by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

2. As I understand this cover arrangement, the PSI should mail me a directive somewhat along the lines of the enclosed information. This should "hold us" for a couple of months, with possibly some queries from me occasionally. Then when our operational picture requires investigation in some particular field, PSI can be notified through the Station to request a survey or poll in that field.

3. On the basis of the enclosed "directive" (plus stationary and allied materials) I can consult a local lawyer as to the registration of this "Agency" and then advise PSI as to the legal requirement.

Arthur G. Vaivada

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1. Public Surveys Institute of Dallas, Texas, has placed a US representative in Cuba for the purpose of conducting public surveys, by polling, which will provide the home office with the requisite data for periodic market analyses. These periodic reports will be made available upon subscription to US investment and/or distribution agencies, and will contain comprehensive studies of market potentials and limitations, including the role of government as affected by current political developments.

2. PSI of Dallas will first compile reports of broad scope, from which subscribers may select their fields of special interest and place thier orders accordingly. These initial reports will cover such factors as:

a) The three P's - Population and Purchasing Power.

b) Productive Opportunities.

c) Improved Distribution Patterns.

d) Factors Affecting Demand.

e) A Study of Marketing Areas.

f) General Estimate of the Economic Situation.

3. The PSI representative will not require an office installation or local employees during the initial studies, but will prepare these at his residence until special requests are forthcoming from subscribers. At that time, all materials and installations as well as employment will be of temporary contractual nature, entirely dependent upon the scope of the survey.

Arthur G. Vaivada

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Chief, WH/3/FI
ATTN : Mr. James B. Holand

DATE: 10 June 1957

FROM : AC/OS/TR

SUBJECT: Training Report on Arthur G. VAIVADA, (P)
Training Alias: "VICKS"

1. Arthur G. VAIVADA was trained covertly by instructors of this office in Washington, D.C. from 25 March 1957 through 7 May 1957. The original Training Request form dated 4 December 1956 reveals the following information concerning his background, experience and proposed assignment:

"VAIVADA is thirty-four years of age, married and a U.S. citizen by birth. He attended high school in De Kalb, Illinois and entered the U.S. Army in 1940, later transferring to the U.S. Air Force. The trainee served as an operations and intelligence specialist, first in the China/Burma theatre and later in Panama. He was discharged from the service in 1945. Following his discharge, VAIVADA worked for a short period as a laboratory technician in the Sterling Silica-Gel Corporation, Illinois and then returned to the Panama Canal Zone to work as a stevedor and a labor foreman. He reenlisted in the U.S. Air Force in April 1946 and was honorably discharged in 1949. On 1 June 1949, VAIVADA became a contract agent for this Agency. He served in this capacity in Costa Rica, handling a high level penetration of the Communist Party until 1953. In July 1954, the trainee became principal agent of Project AMPHODARCH. He has been operating under a student cover, working for his A.B. degree at the University of Havana. It is planned that VAIVADA will return to Havana, Cuba under cover of a representative of a well known U.S. polling agency. He will perform the duties of principal agent, handling a large net of sub-agent informants in Cuban university youth circles to provide coverage of Communist, leftist, revolutionary and other political activities among these groups."

2. The instructors who participated in VAIVADA's training indicate that his overall performance was above average. He is a highly intelligent, practical and realistic young man possessing excellent judgment and common sense. His motivation is strong and his interest in clandestine activity as a profession appears to be genuine. VAIVADA should continue to develop as a skilled and competent agent.

The official to whom this report is entrusted is personally responsible for it. Although he may, within his discretion, show it to other members of his staff, the report should never be shown to the student whom it concerns.

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3. For the purposes of the record, it should be noted that VAIVADA received prior Covert Training during October and November 1953. The present training was more in the nature of a refresher.

4. VAIVADA received instruction in the subjects set forth on the attached Training Evaluation Reports. In addition, certain supplementary reading, discussion material, case histories, books, films and "live" problems were also covered.

5. His training was conducted by Mr. Pisanko known as "Hank" and Mr. Toth known as "Frank." Their Training Evaluation Reports are attached.

A. F. Schermerhorn

AUGUSTUS F. SCHERMERHORN

Attachments: 2

The official to whom this report is entrusted is personally responsible for it. Although he may, within his discretion, show it to other members of his staff, the report should never be shown to the student whom it concerns.

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TRAINING EVALUATION REPORT

NAME OF STUDENT (Pseudonym): VAIVADA, Arthur G.	DATE (Day, month, year): 9 May 1957
TRAINING ALIAS: "VICKS"	PERIOD COVERED: 25 March to 10 April 57 and 26 April to 7 May 1957

RATING DEFINITIONS

SUPERIOR	An extremely outstanding performance.
EXCELLENT	An outstanding performance, above average.
SATISFACTORY	Requirements met without distinction.
POOR	A deficient performance, below average.
FAILURE	An extremely deficient performance.

TRAINING SUBJECTS	SUPERIOR	EXCELLENT	SATISFACTORY	POOR	FAILURE
1. Security					
2. Cover		X			
3. Observation & Description		X			
4. Interviewing					
5. Interrogation			X		
6. Surveillance			X		
7. Telephones & Mikes (Theory)		X			
8. General CI Methods			X		
9. Contacting			X		
10. Intrafield Communications					
11. Recruiting of Agents					
12. Training of Agents					
13. Agent Management & Control					
14. Double Agent Management & Control					
15. Reporting			X		
16. CE Operations		X			
17. Communist Theory			X		
18. Soviet IS		X			
19. Psychological Warfare		X			
20. Political Warfare					
21. Economic Warfare					
22. Sabotage					
23. Counter-sabotage					
24. Resistance Force Activities					
25. Guerrilla Warfare					
26. Evasion & Escape					
27. Weapons					
28. Demolitions					
29. Special Devices (R&D)					
30. Air Reception					
31. Sea Reception					
32. Map Reading					
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STUDENT EVALUATION

		Above Average	Average	Below Average		Not Observed
1.	Security consciousness	X				
2.	Ability to work with and get along with others	X				
3.	Ability to follow instructions		X			
4.	Maturity of judgment and common sense	X				
5.	Initiative	X				
6.	Resourcefulness and independence of judgment	X				
7.	Tactfulness and sense of discretion		X			
8.	Cooperativeness	X				
9.	Sense of discipline		X			
10.	Imagination and creativeness	X				
11.	Amenability to constructive criticism	X				
12.	Attention to necessary details	X				
13.	Observant and careful in the collection of facts	X				
14.	Political sophistication and awareness	X				
15.	Interest and enthusiasm for proposed assignment	X				
16.	Motivation for clandestine activities	X				
17.	Ability to relate theory to practice	X				
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STUDENT'S COMPARATIVE EVALUATION TO OTHERS TRAINED FOR IDENTICAL OR SIMILAR ASSIGNMENT

Above Average	Average	Below Average
X		

INSTRUCTOR'S COMMENTS

VAIVADA is a reliable, stable individual possessing a quick, alert mind. He was mature, serious and purposeful in his approach to training. His interest and attention remained at a high level throughout the instruction. In general, VAIVADA has the background and the desire to perform in a professional manner. The trainee possesses the ability to apply himself completely. He recognizes his shortcomings and was completely amenable to constructive criticism. VAIVADA zealously tries to find solutions to pertinent questions and problems. He analyzes facts and details thoroughly. He wants to know his job and, in any given situation, tries to learn as much as possible.

During the training, VAIVADA showed no signs of restlessness with the more routine aspects of clandestine activity. He is practical minded, adept, serious, willing to "dig in and do the grubbing." The trainee learns quickly and shows excellent promise for progressive improvement within the field of covert work. He carries out instructions and assignments in an efficient manner. VAIVADA possesses a calm, tenacious attitude. It is felt that he will develop steadily as a skilled and competent operator. He should become an increasingly valuable asset to this organization. His overall performance was above average.

INSTRUCTOR

/s/ HENRY J. PISANKO

TRAINING EVALUATION REPORT

DATE (Day, month, year): 26 April 1957

NAME OF STUDENT (Pseudonym): VAIVADA, Arthur G.

PERIOD COVERED: 11 April 1957 through 25 April 1957

TRAINING ALIAS: "VICKS"

RATING DEFINITIONS

SUPERIOR .... An extremely outstanding performance.
EXCELLENT .... An outstanding performance, above average.
SATISFACTORY .... Requirements met without distinction.
POOR .... A deficient performance, below average.
FAILURE .... An extremely deficient performance.

TRAINING SUBJECTS	SUPERIOR	EXCELLENT	SATISFACTORY	POOR	FAILURE
1. Security					
2. Cover					
3. Observation & Description					
4. Interviewing		X			
5. Interrogation		X			
6. Surveillance					
7. Telephones & Mikes (Theory)					
8. General CI Methods					
9. Contacting			X		
10. Intrafield Communications			X		
11. Recruiting of Agents		X			
12. Training of Agents		X			
13. Agent Management & Control		X			
14. Double Agent Management & Control					
15. Reporting					
16. CE Operations					
17. Communist Theory					
18. Soviet IS					
19. Psychological Warfare					
20. Political Warfare					
21. Economic Warfare					
22. Sabotage					
23. Counter-sabotage					
24. Resistance Force Activities					
25. Guerrilla Warfare					
26. Evasion & Escape					
27. Weapons					
28. Demolitions					
29. Special Devices (R&D)					
30. Air Reception					
31. Sea Reception					
32. Map Reading					
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STUDENT EVALUATION

		RATINGS: ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE		NOT OBSERVED
1.	Security consciousness	X				
2.	Ability to work with and get along with others					X
3.	Ability to follow instructions	X				
4.	Maturity of judgment and common sense	X				
5.	Initiative					X
6.	Resourcefulness and independence of judgment		X			
7.	Tactfulness and sense of discretion	X				
8.	Cooperativeness	X				
9.	Sense of discipline		X			
10.	Imagination and creativeness	X				
11.	Amenability to constructive criticism	X				
12.	Attention to necessary details		X			
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STUDENT'S COMPARATIVE EVALUATION TO OTHERS TRAINED FOR IDENTICAL OR SIMILAR ASSIGNMENT	ABOVE AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE
	X		

INSTRUCTOR'S COMMENTS

Arthur G. VAIVADA impressed this instructor most favorably. The trainee is highly intelligent, practical and realistic. He possesses excellent judgment and common sense. VAIVADA is mature, well-balanced, resourceful and positive. He appears to be open-minded and objective, possessing a questioning mind and a strong sense of curiosity. VAIVADA approached training with a strong desire to add to his knowledge and to refine his own methods and techniques. He was highly receptive and amenable to constructive criticism. The trainee has a feeling for detail and is observant and careful in the collection of facts. It was necessary for VAIVADA to spend considerable time on administrative matters during the training. However, he completed all outside assignments punctually and completely.

VAIVADA's performance was excellent. He is above average in every aspect. His motivation is strong and his interest in clandestine activity as a profession appears to be genuine. If properly supervised, he should be a valuable asset to this organization. The trainee appears to be industrious, possessing initiative with leadership qualities.

INSTRUCTOR

/s/ FRANK A. TOTH

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Project AMPHODARCH
WH
15 May 58

Mr. Arthur G. Vaivada

Dear Mr. Vaivada:

Reference is made to your contract with the United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, effective 1 June 1957.

Effective 1 June 1957, said contract is amended by adding after sub-paragraph (b) of Paragraph four (4), entitled "Allowances," the following:

"(c) You will be entitled to an educational allowance in conformance with and at the rates prescribed in applicable Government regulations."

All other terms and conditions of the contract remain in full force and effect.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

BY /S/
Contracting Officer

APPROVED:

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Field informed,
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Chief, WHD 29 May 1957

Chief of Station, Habana

Operational

Arthur G. VAIVADA

Reference: HKH-W-2268, dated 22 May 1957

1. Subject and his wife arrived in Habana on 14 May 1957 and have taken permanent quarters here; their children rejoined them the following weekend.

2. As outlined in the reference, and after conversation with VAIVADA himself, the national polling cover arrangement set up for the approximate three-month trial period appears adequate. At present Subject and the case officer are engaged in working out a suitable area or areas for his polling activities and will shortly notify Headquarters of the results.

3. There is being forwarded as a separate cover attachment an administrative memorandum from Subject, informing Headquarters that he established a bank account in Miami, Florida, and his wishes respecting amounts of his salary and allowances to be deposited there following 1 June 1957. Subject's initial opening deposit in the Miami bank account was in the amount of $20.00; the "copy of check with true name and present balance" mentioned in the attached memorandum is being retained in Station files. It is requested that the Station be notified by cable of the amount of total salary and allowances to be paid direct to Subject each month in the field after 1 June.

James R. Palinger

Attachment:
1 - Administrative memorandum (single copy under separate cover)
3 - Self addressed bank envelopes U/S/C
Distribution:
3 - Washington W/att U/S/C
2 - Files W/O Att

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22 May 1957

TO: Colonel J. Caldwell King,
Chief, WH Division
Attention: WH/Cuba

FROM: Chief, CI/ICD LM by [signature]

SUBJECT: General: CP Penetration Program

Specific: Informal discussion with Ross Lester Crozier, 9 May 1957, re his interest in, and availability for recruitment approaches in various Latin American countries.

1. On 9 May 1957, Mr. Paul J. Burke, Deputy Chief, CI/ICD, held Subject discussion with Mr. Crozier, whom he met outside of official quarters through the cooperation of Mr. Hugh MacAuley, WH/Cuba.

2. Mr. Crozier has a fine record in CP penetration work. He did an outstanding job in handling the HUMANOID-3 operation in Costa Rica over an extended period, and he has worked hard in the CP penetration program in Cuba since his arrival there.

3. It is believed that he would be an effective recruiter in various countries in Latin America.

4. He stated that he was keenly interested in, and would like to engage in, such operations, and would welcome being asked to hit a well-chosen target in any (Spanish-speaking) Latin American country.

5. Mr. Crozier stated that he expects to return to Cuba shortly. If, after three months, there is no indication that his security has been adversely affected by the recent assassination of one of his agents, he expects to be there about a year.

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6. It is recommended that WH Division give consideration to employing Mr. Crozier as a recruiter when worthwhile recruitment-in-place CP targets are developed, or otherwise arise, in various Latin American countries. It is again made clear for the record that the foregoing discussion was informal and without commitment on either side.

cc: WH/CP (L. Sloan)

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OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA AIR (Specify Air or Sea Pouch)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-W-2268

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TO Chief of Station, Habana

DATE 22 MAY 57 11 14z

FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT { GENERAL Operational
SPECIFIC Arthur G. VAIVADA

References: HAVA-891, 25 April 1957
HAVA-911, 7 May 1957
DIR-16802, 10 May 1957

1. Attached for your retention is a copy of Subject's new contract converting his status from that of Contract Agent - GS-10 to Career Agent - GS-11, to become effective 1 June 1957. Also attached is a copy of an amendment to his current contract, providing for the payment of storage of his household effects in Habana and quarters allowances for his family in San Jose, Costa Rica, for the period Subject was absent from his post. Subject read and signed the originals of both the amendment and new contract while at Headquarters.

2. Before Subject departed for the field, he was interviewed three times by one of the Headquarters staffs concerning his cover, and arrangements were made to fulfill the station's requirement for his return. However, since the polling cover originally planned for Subject could not be arranged at this time, a "notional" polling cover, adequately backstopped by a business mailing address and telephone number (being submitted under separate cover as Identity-A) was arranged as the alternative. Since Subject is returning to his post on a test basis, Headquarters feels that this notional cover is better than a more permanent arrangement would be; at least until it is more certain that Subject's stay will be permanent, thus avoiding any possible embarrassment vis-a-vis the employer company in the event Subject is forced to leave the country shortly after arrival. Furthermore, this notional cover will allow Subject almost complete freedom to pursue his other activity with very little time and effort necessary to maintain his cover. Appropriate business letterheads and cards to implement Subject's cover will be pouched to the Station as soon as Subject is able to survey the area and notify Headquarters of the type of polling activity he plans to use. He was instructed to select a polling activity not

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presently covered by another agency, so as to minimize the possibility of instigating inquiries about his employer by the competitors in the area. Should Subject remain at his post, and it is hoped he will, the cover originally planned can be arranged later if Subject or the Station feels that the present cover is not adequate enough ; or, on the other hand, he can continue to use the present arrangement.

3. With respect to the payment of his salary and allowances, Subject was instructed to open a bank account here before he returned to the field. Headquarters requests he submit the name of the bank and the amount of his salary and allowances (preferably in round figures) he wishes to be paid by the Station. The balance will be paid monthly to his bank by Headquarters. Headquarters requires that this arrangement be set up to simplify and expedite his payments in the event of any changes in salary or allowances. Subject said he would give the information to the Station for transmittal to Headquarters.

4. It is regretted that Subject's wife was not able to become naturalized at this time, since she entered this country on a temporary visitor's visa, and it would have taken too long to change her status to that of a permanent resident and become naturalized. Since the conversion of Subject's status to that of a Career Agent was not affected by his wife's citizenship, it was suggested to Subject that he plan to have his wife become a citizen when he returns to this country in two years upon becoming eligible for statutory home leave.

5. Subject still has an outstanding travel voucher being processed at Headquarters, and the Station will be notified as soon as it is completed. Subject has been paid in full for his salary and allowances for the month of April 1957.

16 May 1957

J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

Attachments:
Copy of Contract
Copy of Contract Amendment
Identity A under Sep. Cover Attach.

Distribution:
3 - Habana w/attach.
1 - RI w/o attach.
1 - WH/Mailroom w/o attach.
1 - WH/III/Cuba/Chrono w/o attach.
1 - Subject w/attach.

WH/III/Cuba/H.C.MacAuley/fs

J. C. KING, C/WHD		W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III
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Separate Cover Attachment to:
HKH-W-2268

IDENTITY A:

Public Surveys Institute
532 Union Fidelity Life Building
1511 Bryon Street
Dallas, Texas

Telephone: RIverside 1-3674

Contact: Mr. Albert E. JOHNSON

Distribution:
1 - Habana
1 - RI
1 - Cuba/Chrono

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Mr. Arthur O. Vaivada

Dear Mr. Vaivada:

Reference is made to your contract with the United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, effective 1 August 1954, as amended.

Effective 14 May 1957, said contract, as amended, is further amended by deleting in its entirety Paragraph 1(b) and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

> "1(b) Additional compensation calculated at the rate of $5135 per annum."

All other terms and conditions of the original contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

BY ____________________
Contracting Officer

APPROVED:

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Date: 1 6 MAY 1957

Mr. Arthur G. Vaivada

Dear Mr. Vaivada:

Reference is made to your contract with the United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, effective 1 August 1954, as amended. Effective 31 MAY 1957, said contract, as amended, is hereby terminated by mutual consent of the parties thereto and in lieu thereof the following agreement is substituted:

The United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, hereby contracts with you for your services as a Career Agent under the following terms and conditions:

1. Status. By virtue of your relationship with the United States Government in the performance of services under this agreement your legal status is that of a Government employee under contract. As such, you are entitled only to the rights, privileges and benefits stipulated herein. It is understood that you will act under cover suitable to disguise your relationship to the Government, but you will be subject to administrative and operational directions and control by the Government at all times.

2. Compensation. In full consideration for your services as a Career Agent, you will be compensated at the rate of $6390 per annum, GS-11. In addition, you will be entitled to within-grade promotions in a manner similar to the procedures prescribed for Government staff employees. In the event that the salary level of your indicated grade is altered by Federal legislation and adopted by the Government, the compensation authorized under this contract shall be altered accordingly. Payments will be made hereunder as directed by you in writing in a manner acceptable to the Government.

3. Taxes. (a) In the event taxes are not withheld by your cover facility or in the event your cover facility withholds taxes on only part of the compensation due you hereunder, the Government, in view of security considerations involved, will withhold Federal income taxes from all or the remainder of taxable monies due you under this contract in an amount equivalent to the United States income tax withholding schedule based upon your taxable income under this agreement and _____ present exemption(s). Sums so withheld by the Government will be paid over to the Internal Revenue Service. No Form W-2 will be issued you by the Government and you will be instructed as to the method to be followed in making timely filing of returns, estimates and payments in order to preserve security.

(b) If for cover considerations your tax payments exceed your true tax liability under this agreement, the Government will make appropriate reimbursements in conformance with applicable policies and procedures.

4. Allowances. (a) You will be entitled to living quarters allowances in conformance with and at the rates prescribed in the Standardized Regulations, (Government Civilians, Foreign Areas).

(b) In addition to the above payments, you will be entitled to an equalization allowance calculated at the rate of $2180 per annum. This allowance is in lieu of any present or future standardized post allowance established for your present permanent post of duty overseas, but is subject to the entitlement provisions applicable to standardised post allowances. It is understood and agreed that this allowance is predicated upon the comparative cost of living between Washington, D. C., and your overseas post, your unofficial cover, family status and basic compensation. Consequently, this allowance may be unilaterally adjusted or discontinued by the Government whenever warranted by a change in any of these factors. No accounting will be required for this allowance.

5. Travel. You will be advanced or reimbursed funds for the following travel and transportation expenses:

(a) For you alone for authorized operational travel. In addition, you will be entitled to reimbursement in accordance with standardized Government rates for the authorized official use of your private automobile.

(b) Upon the satisfactory completion of each two (2) years of successful overseas service under this contract, you will be entitled to home leave travel expenses for you and your dependents from your permanent post of duty overseas to your place of recorded residence in the United States and return travel expenses to your permanent post of duty overseas; provided, however, that you have fulfilled any other requirements relating to home leave which are applicable to Government staff employees.

(c) Upon the successful completion of your services under this agreement, for you, your dependents, your household effects and your private automobile from your permanent post of assignment overseas to your place of residence in the United States.

You will be entitled to per diem in lieu of subsistence in the course of all travel performed hereunder and, when authorized, for you alone while on temporary duty away from your permanent post of assignment. All travel, transportation and per diem provided for under this paragraph must be properly authorized and expenses incurred hereunder are subject to payment and accounting in compliance with applicable Government regulations.

6. Operational Expenses. You will be advanced or reimbursed funds for necessary operational expenses includigg, but not limited to, entertainment and the purchase of information, as specifically approvdd by the Government. Such funds will be subject to accounting in compliance with Government regulations.

7. Repayment. It is recognized that your failure to account for or refund any monies advanced you hereunder shall entitle the Government to withhold the total amount of such indebtedness or any portion thereof from any monies due you under the terms of this contract in such manner as it deems appropriate.

8. Benefits. (a) You will be entitled to death and disability benefits equal to those authorized under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, as amended. Claims by you, your heirs, or legal representatives under this paragraph will be processed by the Government in accordance with its procedures in such manner as not to impair security.

(b) You will be entitled to continuance of pay and allowances in a manner similar to that set forth in the Missing Persons Act (50 U.S.C.A. App. 1001-1015).

(c) You will be entitled to sick and annual leave equal to and subject to the same rules and regulations applicable to Government staff employees. Such annual leave may only be taken at times and places approved in advance by appropriate representatives of the Government. All accrued but unused leave earned under your contract with the United States Government effective 1 August 1954, as amended, will be transferred to your leave account under this agreement in conformance with established crediting procedures.

(d) From the compensation paid you pursuant to this contract, there shall be deducted the appropriate rate percentage (presently 6 1/2%) for deposit and eventual crediting to the Civil Service Retirement Fund. If the conditions of your cover warrant or require that you make contributions to the Social Security fund, such contributions shall be at your expense.

9. Cover. It is anticipated that you will undertake certain cover employment in the course of your performance under this agreement. It is expressly understood and agreed that any and all documents which you may execute in the course of such cover employment are subordinate to this agreement and any contradiction in terms which may in any way amplify, extend or restrict your rights and/or obligations hereunder shall be resolved by this agreement which shall always be dominant.

10. Offset. Any and all compensation, allowances or other benefits (including benefits in kind) received from or through your cover activities will be used to offset amounts due you under this contract and will reduce accordingly the Government's direct payment obligation hereunder. Sums so offset are payment by the Government under this contract and for purposes of Federal income taxation. You will report every six (6) months during the term of this agreement all benefits received from or through your cover activities and, if such benefits exceed those due you under this contract, the report will be accompanied by said excess amount, which you hereby agree is the sole property of the Government. Failure to submit timely reports and, as appropriate, excess payments, may result in suspension of any payments due you hereunder. As an alternative to the above, the Government may at any time exercise its basic right to require payment over to it of the emoluments received by you from or through your cover activities which would otherwise be offset as described above. In such cases the Government will pay directly to you the emoluments called for by this contract.

11. Execution of Documents. If, in the performance of services under this contract, you assume the custody of Government funds or take title of record to property of any nature whatsoever and wherever situate, which property has in fact been purchased with monies of the U. S. Government, you hereby recognize and acknowledge the existence of a trust relationship, either express or constructive, and you agree to execute whatever documents may be required by the Government to evidence this relationship.

12. Secrecy. You will be required to keep forever secret this contract and all information which you may obtain by reason hereof (unless released in writing by the Government from such obligation), with full knowledge that violation of such secrecy may subject you to criminal prosecution under the Espionage Laws, dated 25 June 1948, as amended, and other applicable laws and regulations.

13. Instructions. Instructions received by you from the Government in briefing, training or otherwise are a part of this contract and are incorporated herein, provided that such instructions are not inconsistent with the terms hereof.

14. Unauthorized Commitments. No promises or commitments pertaining to rights, privileges or benefits other than those expressly stipulated in writing in this agreement or any amendment thereto shall be binding on the Government.

15. Term. This contract is effective as of 1 JUN 1957, and shall continue thereafter for an indefinite period unless sooner terminated either:

(a) By ninety (90) days' actual notice by either party hereto, or

(b) Without prior notice by the Government, in the event of a breach of this contract by your violation of the security provisions hereof or by your otherwise rendering yourself unavailable for acceptable service.

In the event of voluntary termination on your part or termination for cause by the Government you will not be entitled to the travel expenses set forth in paragraph five (5)(c) supra. Termination of this agreement will not release you from the obligations of any security oath you may be required to take.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

BY ____________________
Contracting Officer

ACCEPTED:

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Arthur G. Valvada

WITNESS: ____________________

APPROVED:

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10 [illegible] 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA

1. On this date the undersigned had a final meeting with Subject, at which time Subject was given a copy of his new contract to read and to acknowledge by signature the original copy. Subject had no questions concerning this document.

2. Mr. Biladou of Cover Division, was also present during the first part of this meeting, to advise Subject of the correct address of the cover firm he was to use as reference:

Public Surveys Institute
532 Union Fidelity Life Bldg.,
1511 Bryan Street,
Dallas, Texas

Phone: Riverside-1-3674

Mr. Albert E. JOHNSON

3. The address will give Subject the necessary backstopping in the event of any inquiries that might arise in the field concerning his employment. Subject was asked to ~~[illegible]~~ survey the field upon his arrival in Habana and submit his views on the best type of polling activity for him, so that the proper business letterheads could be printed and sent down to him. He was also promised that he will receive business cards. These items ~~will~~ are to be pouched to him through ~~the~~ Station channels.

4. Mr. Biladou also stated that he was preparing a memorandum concerning Subject's cover to be sent down to the station for Subject's acknowledgement and signature. This document will be coordinated with the Cuba Desk.

5. Subject was also paid his salary and allowances for the month of April 1957 in the amount of $ 639.72, for which he signed a receipt. 201-168881

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Subject was also instructed to open a bank account in Miami, Fla., so the Finance Division will be in a position to make payment adjustments without delay. Subject was instructed to advise Hqs as to the amount of allotment to be paid him by the station - preferably in a round figure.

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Heinz O. MacAuley

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ORIG : H. O. MAC AULEY
UNIT : WH/III/CUBA
EXT : 2056
DATE : 10 MAY 1957 639

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TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 16802

REF: HAVA-891 (IN 35508)
HAVA-911 (IN 40651)

VAIVADA ETA 15 MAY. POLLING COVER PROVIDED.

END OF MESSAGE

10 May 57
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J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

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W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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REC'D CABLE SECT

TO : DIRECTOR

VAIVADA, ARTHUR G.

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : FI/RI 2, OP 2, /SC 2

ROUTINE

IN 40651

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 911

RE: HKHA 3583

CUTOUT AMANTELOPE BEGINS MONTHS LEAVE PBPRIME 24 MAY. DESIRABLE VAIVADA RETURN PRIOR THAT DATE. 071945Z.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SCO (Mr. Lustecher) DATE: 1 May 1957

FROM : Special Support Staff, Medical Staff

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA (p)

Subject has been evaluated by the Medical Staff and found qualified for proposed PCS overseas assignment.

Vincent J. Ford
Vincent J. Ford
Administrative Officer

MS/VJF:elp

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CUBA

30 April 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Vaivada

1. During the morning of 30 April Mr. Millard of Cover telephoned regarding Subject, citing IN 35508. Mr. Millard said that he would be meeting with Vaivada at 1600 hours today and proposed providing him with a temporary rather than permanent cover with the new cover company which was being contemplated for long-range development. Mr. Millard's reasoning was that he did not wish to place Vaivada under the new company with the chance that the trial period approved for the Station might cause Vaivada to be pulled out from that cover in short order. Mr. Millard said that the temporary cover he intended offering Vaivada would be adequate.

2. I concurred with the above proposal.

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W. GALBRAITH
C/WH/III

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FROM:

ACTION

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

Accession No. 35508
Date Received SA

To	Room No.	Date Received	Date Forwarded	Officer's Initials	Comments
1. Admin		25 Apr	25 Apr	PBW	
2. III				Mch	
3. Cuba/FI				HCA	UAIVADA -
4.					
5.					#2108
6.					30 April Mr. Millard and Mr. Billedeau (cover) arranging notional Collins cover for V. until originally planned cover can be arranged -
7.					V in accord - Mr. B. making arrangements and will advise.
8.					
9.					
10. Cable desk					

Each comment should be numbered to correspond with number in *To* column.
A line should be drawn across sheet under each comment.
Officer designations should be used in *To* column.
Each officer should initial (check mark insufficient) before further routing.
Action desired or action taken should be indicated in *Comments* column.
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DATE : 24 APRIL 1957

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC, FI/OPS 2, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

VAIVADA, Arthur E.

ROUTING

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ROUTINE

IN 35508

TO DIR CITE HAVA 891

RE: DIR 13777 (OUT 98246)

1. STATION CONSIDERS VAIVADA CONTINUED ASSIGNMENT HAVA VERY DESIRABLE BUT DEPENDENT SECURE COVER ARRANGEMENT. SUGGEST HQS SET UP ADEQUATE COVER THEN HAVE VAIVADA COME HAVA TRIAL PERIOD TO DETERMINE ADVISABILITY CONTINUED ASSIGNMENT. RECOMMEND INDEPENDENT POLL TYPE COVER, ALREADY DISCUSSED.

2. STUDENT ACTIVITIES NOW MINIMAL OWING UNIVERSITY CLOSURE WITH NO PROBABLE OPENING PRIOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. HOWEVER FEEL VAIVADA, WITH FIRM COVER, COULD PERFORM VALUABLE SERVICE FOR STATION IN SUBVERSIVE AND COMMIE PENETRATIONS. 242000Z.

END OF MESSAGE

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ORIG : J. HOLMES NOLAND
UNIT : WH
EXT : 2971
DATE : 22 APRIL 1957

TO : HAVANA
FROM : DIRECTOR
CONF : WH 5
INFO : FI/RI 2, OP 2, S/C 2

VAIVADA, ARTHUR E.

ROUTING: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6

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TO HAVA INFO CITE DIR 13777

REF HAVA 824 (IN 14694)

HQS CONTEMPLATES RETURN VAIVADA CUBA EARLY MAY FOR TRIAL PERIOD SEVERAL MONTHS TO DETERMINE ADVISABILITY CONTINUING ASSIGNMENT THERE. CABLE STATION VIEWS.

END OF MESSAGE

See Hava - 871

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J. C. KING, CHIEF, WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS
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W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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18 April 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contract Personnel Division

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA

1. Arthur G. VAIVADA, Contract Agent, GS-10, assigned to Project AMTHODARCH in Habana, Cuba, was ordered by the station to leave Cuba for reasons of operational security following the killing of an indigenous member (AMTHODARCH-1) of his agent net by the Cuban authorities. Subject departed from Habana on 18 February 1957, and arrived in San Jose, Costa Rica, on or about 21 February 1957. He discontinued his residence in Habana, stored his household effects, and set up new quarters in San Jose for his family. He will maintain these quarters until about 6 May 1957, when he will be reassigned to Habana or PCS to another area. Subject, himself, is currently receiving training at Headquarters.

2. It is requested that authorization be granted to pay Subject quarters allowance to enable him to maintain residence for his family in Costa Rica for the time necessary to complete his training at Headquarters and be reassigned to the field.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

Distribution:
Orig. & 1 - Addressee
1 - Cuba Chrono
1 - VAIVADA File

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12 April 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Cover Division
Attention: Mr. Raymond Millard

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA, Cover Data

Attached, in accordance with the requirements of your division, are certain data concerning Arthur G. VAIVADA, a WH contract agent, for whom cover as a pollster is being sought.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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Attachment:
As mentioned above

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A. General Information on Agent

(1) Pseudonym and Previous Requests for Cover

Arthur G. VAIVADA. No previous request, although cover suggested herein has been under consideration for some time and has been discussed with representatives of Cover Division.

(2) Employment Status

Contract Agent, in process of conversion to career agent at GS-11; salary $6,390; quarters allowance $2,400; equalization allowance $2,120; and following benefits:

Retirement; sick and annual leave; home leave travel; Federal Employees Compensation and Missing Persons Acts.

(3) Clearance Status

Subject has regular Operational Approval and a Provisional Covert Security Approval pending receipt of full Covert Security Approval. No clearances on wife, who is only adult accompanying agent overseas.

(4) Medical Status

Check-up pending; believed to be in excellent physical condition, however.

(5) Assessment

As Contract Agent, has not been subjected to assessment.

(6) Current and Previous Covers

Cover since June 1949--Employment by Agency has been primarily that of University Student with part time photography work, and employment during one period with Costa Rican Ministry of Agriculture, as supplementary. In all instances Subject has lived cover, thus acquiring no particular backstopping.

(7) Availability for Assumption New Cover

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(8) Proposed Date of Departure for Overseas Post

Subject expects to return to overseas duty on or about 10 May 1957.

(9) Project Cryptonym

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B. Biographic Information on Agent

(1) Age, 34; Sex, Male; Religion, Catholic; Subject is married and has two small children.

(2) Wife— Argentina de los Angeles Cordero de Grosler—Born 15 March 1918, San Jose, Costa Rica; Married to Subject since 1945; Costa Rican citizen in process of obtaining U.S. citizenship. Additional biographic information available at country desk.

(3) Education

High School, DeKalb, Illinois
University—5 years undergraduate study at universities in San Jose, Costa Rica, Guatemala City, and Habana, Cuba.

(4) Past Employment

1940-1945	Intelligence NCO (Technical Sergeant U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force)
Jan. 1945-Apr. 46	Labor Foreman, U.S. Naval Air Station, Coco Solo, Canal Zone, Panama.
April 1946-Apr.49	Intelligence NCO (Technical Sergeant USAF) Chief of Section, Political Analysis, Caribbean Air Command.
April ~~1959~~ 1949-Mar.53	Freelance photography and University studies, San Jose, Costa Rica.
Mar. 1953-June 53	Photographer Ministry of Agriculture, San Jose, Costa Rica.

(5) Outside Interests, Hobbies, etc.

Athletics (general), outdoor life, photography, jungle lore, chess.

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(6) Personality Evaluation

Subject is both energetic and forceful and seems to dedicate himself wholeheartedly to any venture which he undertakes. At the same time, he has a pleasing personality, is versatile, and adapts easily to most situations. He presents a good appearance, has somewhat of a "soldier of fortune" background(much of which acquired while working for CIA), and is a good conversationalist. It should be pointed out that in spite of the "soldier of fortune" tag, Subject is essentially a stable individual and devoted to his family. His work traits and his relations with those in CIA with whom he has come in contact, have been excellent.

(7) Personal Financial Status

Solvent; Owns home.

(8) Previous Foreign Residence

Panama, Costa Rica, Guatemala, and Cuba since 1940 as indicated above. Military Service in Far East 1944-1945.

(9) Area Experience

Area experience,as reflected in foregoing information, is extensive.

(10) Language Qualifications

Subject is fluent in Spanish language, which is indigenous to area in which he is and will be operating.

C. Security Considerations

(1) Period of Employment with CIA

June 1949 to present

(2) Frequency of Visits to CIA Installations

Not applicable. No visits other than to safehouses.

(3) Extent Knowledge of CIA Affiliation

It must be presumed that wife is aware of intelligence nature of Subject's work, though not necessarily the CIA connection. No other non Agency personnel believed to be aware of CIA status.

(4) Past Intelligence Connections

With U.S. Army and Air Force as indicated above.

(5) Use of CIA Credit References

Not applicable

(6) Future plans for Agent

Contemplate continuation in non-official cover status upon completion of current assignment.

(7) Emergency Contact

In the process of being arranged.

(8) Agency-sponsored Insurance

No Agency-sponsored Insurance as of this writing. Extent of others not known, but believed adequate.

D. Operational Information

(1) Type of Information—Expected Duration of Assignment

FI; Duration of assignment indefinite, but at least two years. Operations from average to high. Sensitivity—no persons, other than Agency personnel and cover facility officials, will be made aware of CIA affiliation while under non-official cover.

(2) Location

Habana, Cuba

(3) Degree of Mobility Desired

Will spend most of time in capital (Habana). Should be free to travel al will throughout country, however.

(4) Special groups to be Contacted

From the operational standpoint, access to political circles is most desirable.

(5) Approximate Annual Income to Be Attributed to Cover Organization

$10,000 (including allowances)

(6) Hours Which Must Be Devoted to Operational Duties

Subject should be able to devote at least 50% of time to operational activity, although duties entailed in proposed cover will fit in very nicely with operational requirement.

(7) Physical Security Requirements

No particular problems anticipated in this respect.

(8) Communications

No special arrangements required, as Subject will be in more or less regular contact with Station personnel.

(9) Cover Suggestions

A polling cover (employment as of representative of a large U.S. polling firm) has been suggested and seems highly appropriate in this case, as it would afford excellent mobility in addition to job backstopping. Mr. Ray Millard of Cover Division has been attempting for some time to arrange such a cover for Subject.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: WH/111/Cuba/McAuley

FROM: CI/Operational Approval and Support Division

SUBJECT: CROZIER, Ross Lester

1. Your request dated 26 February 1956 for approval to use the Subject has been processed by the Office of Security.

2. The results of this action are transmitted herewith.

Attachment:

so memo 2 April 1957/par

Thomas Carroll, Jr.

Distribution:
1 Addressee
1 File

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DATE: Ø5 APRIL 1957

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH-5

INFO: CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

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PRIORITY

IN 27923

TO PRITY DIR INFO: HAVA CITE SANJ 2531

RE: A. DIR Ø3998 (OUT 79438)
B. HAVA 866 (IN 27345)

1. DOSSIER HAS NOT ARRIVED. VAIVADA AND WIFE HAVE DECIDED SHE WILL JOIN HIM ZRMETAL NOW USING TOURIST VISA. CHILDREN WILL REMAIN SANJ WITH RELATIVES.

2. PARA 2 REF A STATES NO CITIZENSHIP REQUIREMENT WIFE.

3. SHE ARRIVING ZRMETAL EAL FLIGHT 534 MORNING 8 APRIL. REQUESTS VAIVADA MEET. HAVE ADVANCED HER NO FUNDS.

END OF MESSAGE.

Hugh MacAuley
CL 6-2547

Hugh MacAuley was called to contact and notify Vaivada

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5 April 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

Subject: Arthur G. VAIVADA

Naturalization of Subject's wife

1. Mr. Jerry MANSETT, Alien Affairs Officer, Office of Security, Room 2503, I Bldg., X-2141, stated that the following requirements and procedure are necessary to submit Subject's wife's application for naturalization:

a. Memorandum from C/WHD to the Director of Security, Attention: Alien Affairs Officer, requesting that the application for naturalization be expedited so that Subject's wife may accompany him overseas on or about____________

b. Application for Naturalization forms to be filled out in duplicate. They are NOT to be signed by the applicant.

c. 3 passport-size photographs.

d. 1 fingerprint card (Obtained at the Immigration Office in Room 313, Old Post Office Bldg., 12th and Penn. N.W.)

2. The above memo and documents are to be submitted to the Office of Security (OS). After a security check an appointment will be made for Subject's wife to appear for questionning and signing of application. Once this formality is done, the application is placed in the District Court for the final swearing in by the Judge (The swearings take place each 2nd Tuesday of the month).

3/ There will be a fee of $10.00.

4. VAIVADA can be one of the two witnesses required.

NCG.

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DATE : 04 APRIL 1957

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

APR 5 03 30 '57

REC'D CABLE SECT.

ROUTINE

IN 27345

TO SANJ INFO: DIR CITE HAVA 866

RE: SANJ 2523 (IN 26196)

CONSULATE ADVISES DOSSIER MRS ANGELA ARGENTINA IRIS CORDERO Y CALDERONA DE CROZIER FORWARDED SANJ VIA POUCH 21 MARCH.

END OF MESSAGE

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DATE : Ø2 APRIL 1957

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

APR 3 05 26 '57

REC'D CABLE SECT.

ROUTINE

IN 26196

TO DIR INFO: HAVA CITE SANJ 2523

REF SANJ 2495 (IN 18323)

HAVA 841 (IN 19663)

VISA FILE VAIVADA'S WIFE STILL NOT RECEIVED SANJ. LOCAL CONSUL CAN DO NOTHING PENDING RECEIPT FILE. CAN HQS ASSIST?

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2 APR 1957

Chief, CI/OA

Acting Deputy Director of Security (Investigations and Support)

C-25507
#112569

1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 28 February 1957, wherein a provisional covert security approval and a covert security approval were requested to enable the Subject's conversion to career agent status for use as Principal Agent for Project AMPHODARCH in Cuba, under non-official cover.

2. In accordance with the provisions set forth in Clandestine Services Instruction No. 10-5 and Field Regulation 10-215, a provisional covert security approval is granted for the use of the Subject, as described in your request as set forth in paragraph #1, above.

3. It should be noted that the provisional covert security approval herein granted is based on limited investigative coverage and should not be in any way construed as a final security determination relative to a full covert security approval. Upon completion of additional investigation now pending, you will be appropriately advised as to our decision with regard to the issuance of a full covert security approval.

4. Subjects of provisional covert security approvals are not to represent themselves as, nor are they to be represented as, employees of CIA.

5. Your attention is called to the fact that a provisional covert security approval does not constitute complete compliance with the provisions of CIA Regulation 10-210. Therefore, if you should desire at a later date to change the status or use of this individual, a request for approval to cover any proposed change should be submitted to this office.

6. This approval becomes invalid in the event the Subject's services are not utilized within 60 days of the date of this memorandum.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY:

Fred H. Hall

201-168251

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TRAVEL ORDER

OFFICIAL TRAVEL ORDER NO.	[illegible]
ALLOTMENT ACCOUNT SYMBOL	7-[illegible]

NAME	OFFICE PHONE	GRADE AND SALARY
Arthur C. FAIVAKA (Ps)	2729	GS-10 $5915

TITLE	OFFICIAL STATION
Contract Agent	Havana, Cuba

YOU ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO TRAVEL AND INCUR NECESSARY EXPENSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH AGENCY REGULATIONS.

ITINERARY

Havana, Cuba to Washington, D. C. and return.

PURPOSE

TDY - Training for approximately 6 weeks.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS (INCLUDE APPROPRIATE JUSTIFICATION)

AUTHORIZED PER DIEM

COORDINATION, AS REQUIRED (TO BE EFFECTED BY ORIGINATING OFFICE)

☐ DD/P ☐ OTHER OPERATIONAL AREAS ☐ THEATER CLEARANCE (IF OBTAINABLE)

ADVANCE OF FUNDS IS AUTHORIZED.

ESTIMATED COST OF TRAVEL $

TRAVEL TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT	TERMINATING APPROXIMATELY
29 March 1957	8 May 1957

MODE OF TRAVEL (SPECIFY)

Common carrier and privately auto

ALLOWANCE FOR PRIVATELY OWNED AUTOMOBILE AS FOLLOWS IF APPLICABLE

☐ (A) CENTS PER MILE, NOT TO EXCEED COST BY COMMON CARRIER

XXX (B) ten CENTS PER MILE, AS BEING MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE GOVERNMENT

CERTIFICATION (BY PROCESSING BRANCH)

CERTIFIED A TRUE COPY. SIGNED COPY ON FILE IN CENTRAL PROCESSING BRANCH. REVIEWED. NO CHANGE NECESSARY. AMENDED AS INDICATED.

SIGNATURE

☐ THE CHANGE OF OFFICIAL STATION INDICATED IS EFFECTED IN THE INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT AND NOT FOR YOUR PERSONAL CONVENIENCE.

☐ IN CONNECTION WITH CHANGE OF STATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO TRANSPORT YOUR IMMEDIATE FAMILY, YOUR HOUSEHOLD GOODS, PERSONAL EFFECTS, SUBJECT TO WEIGHT LIMITS, RESTRICTIONS AND PROVISIONS AS SET FORTH IN AGENCY REGULATIONS.

☐ TRAVEL TO FIRST POST OF DUTY ABROAD, INCLUDING EXPENSES OF TRANSPORTATION OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY, HOUSEHOLD GOODS, PERSONAL EFFECTS AND AUTOMOBILE IS AUTHORIZED.

☐ RETURN FROM POST OF DUTY ABROAD, INCLUDING EXPENSES OF TRANSPORTATION OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY, HOUSEHOLD GOODS, PERSONAL EFFECTS AND AUTOMOBILE, IS AUTHORIZED.

☐ DEPENDENTS TO TRAVEL WITH EMPLOYEE.

☐ DEPENDENTS TO TRAVEL WITHIN 6 MOS. OF EMPLOYEE.

☐ TEMPORARY DUTY.

I CERTIFY FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE

OBLIGATION REFERENCE NO.	CHARGE ALLOTMENT NO.
	7-[illegible]
DATE	SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICER
27 March 57	J. [illegible]

TYPED NAME AND TITLE OF OFFICIAL AUTHORIZING TRAVEL	DATE	SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL AUTHORIZING TRAVEL
C/WH J. C. KING	26 March 1957	

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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

NAME: CROZIER, Ross Lester

BIRTH: 20 June 1922, DeKalb, Illinois

ADDRESS: Pres: 5th St. 655, Havana (Vedado) Cuba
Perm: San Juan Tibas, San Jose, Costa Rica

CITIZENSHIP: U.S.A.

MARITAL STATUS: Argentina de los Angeles Cordero de Crozier, b. 15/3/18, San Jose, Costa Rica, m. 17 Dec 1945, Cristobal, Canal Zone
Address: Same as subject

CHILDREN: Ross Arnulfo Crozier, b.c. 1949: Add: same as subject
Lillian Caridad Crozier, b.c. 1951 Add: Same as subject

PARENTS: Father: Lester Earl Crozier, b. 15 Mar 1900, Palestine, Ill.
Mother: Elizabeth Lorene McKibben, b. Sept 1903, La Moille, Ill.
Address: RR No. 1, Tampico, Ill.

BRO & SISTERS: James Earl Crozier, b.c. 1929, Add: Tampico, Ill.
Irma Lilly Crozier, b.c. 1924, Add: RR.1, Tampico, Ill.
Blanche Elaine Crozier, b.c. 1926, Add: 1900 Canal St., Rock Falls, Illinois
Norris Edwin Crozier, b.c. 1932. Add: 804½ 1st Ave., Sterling, Illinois

IN LAWS: Father: Alberto Cordero Loizia, b. 1894, San Jose, Costa Rica, Deceased
Mother: Dora Cordero Calderon, b. 7 Sept 1893, San Jose, Costa Rica, Add: San Juan Tibas, San Jose, Costa Rica
Sister: Norma Cordero de Gregor b.c. 1932, Add: Box 2655, Cristobal, C.Z.
Isabel Cordero de Naranjo, b.c. 1929. Add: Plaza Viquez, San Jose, Costa Rica
Consuelo Cordero Calderon, b.c. 1927. Add: San Juan Tibas, San Jose, Costa Rica

EDUCATION: 1926-34: Elwood, DeKalb, Illinois
1935-39: DeKalb Township, DeKalb, Ill. (Grad)
1949-53: Univ. of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica
1-5/54: Univ. of San Carlos, Guatemala City, Guatemala
1954-Pres: Univ. of Habana, Habana, Cuba.

Deadline 29 April 1957

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MILITARY: 1940-49: U.S. Air Force T/Sgt. Serial 16001300

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D.W.H.

15 APR 1957

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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

NAME:	CROZIER, Ross Lester	
EMPLOYMENT:	1940-45:	U.S. Air Force
	1945-46:	U.S. Naval Station, Coco Solo, Canal Zone
	1946-49:	U.S. Air Force
	1949-53:	Free lance photography and student, San Jose, Costa Rica
	3-6/53:	Section of Geology, Ministry Agriculture, Costa Rican Government, San Jose, Costa Rica (Dr. Cesar Dondoli)
TRAVEL:	1949-53:	San Jose, Costa Rica
	Jan-May 1954:	Guatemala City, Guatemala
	1954-Pres:	Habana, Cuba
RESIDENCES:	4-11/55:	Calle 11 No. 1013 Vedado, Habana, Cuba
	1954-55:	Calle 16, No. 511 Vedado, Habana, Cuba
	8-11/54:	Calle 3, No 6A, Miramar, Habana, Cuba
	5-8/54:	San Juan Tibas, San Jose, Costa Rica
	1-5/54:	7th Ave., N. 9-04, Jocotanango, Guat. City
	1953-54:	5008 7th St., NW., Wash. 11, D.C.
	1949-53:	San Juan Tibas, San Jose, Costa Rica
	All prior residences was military service back to 1941	

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA

Training and contact procedure for Subject was discussed with Mr. Schermahorn (Room 201-T-30, X-2778) on this date:

a) The training of Subject will last six weeks from 25 March through 6 May 1957.

b) Subject will use the code name "Mr. Vicks" throughout the training.

c) Contact procedure: Subject will call "Jim" on JA-7-9117 at 1:40 PM on 25 March 1957 (Monday). He will identify himself as "Mr. Vicks." He will be given instructions as to the place and time of pick-up to be taken to safe house. Subject will have identification card to be presented to instructor upon arrival at safe house.

d) In the event Subject has to be contacted during training period (i.e. wife's naturalization matters, etc.) the desk will contact Mr. Schermahorn's office (X-2778) the day before so arrangements may be made. Training Division will not release the phone numbers of their safe houses.

e) Subject will be in training full time during the six weeks' period and will be given assignments for homework to be done at night and over some week ends.

HCa

H. O. MACAULEY
FI/OPS_-Cuban Desk

22 March 1957

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DATE : 19 MARCH 1957

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : FI/RI 2, S/C 2

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ROUTINE

IN 20033

TO OPIM HAVA INFO: DIR CITE: SANJ 2506

RE: DIR 07482 (OUT 86223)

1. REF ARRIVED 18 MARCH.
2. VAIVADA ARRIVING HAVA PANAM 506 MARCH 19. MEET.
3. HAVE ADVANCED HIM $400. ACCOUNTING TO BE MADE HAVA.

END OF MESSAGE

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ORIG : J. B. NOLAND
UNIT : WH/III/CUBA 717
EXT : 2056
DATE : 13 MARCH 1957

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TO : HABANA

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FROM : DIRECTOR

CONF : WH 5

OUT 5483

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/IC, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

VAIVADA

TO: HAVA INFO: SANJ ROUTINE PRECEDENCE

REFERENCE: HAVA 833 CITE DIR 07107

NO OBJECTION PARA TWO. SUGGEST LENGTH STAY HAVA MIGHT BE CUT AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES MINIMIZED.

END OF MESSAGE

201-168881

J. C. KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS
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W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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DATE : 14 MARCH 57

TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

REC'D CABLE SECT.
IN 18323

ROUTINE

TO: HAVA INFO: DIR CITE: SANJ 2495

REF: HAVA 833 (IN 17296)
SANJ 2474 (IN 11647)

1. VISA FILE ON VAIVADA'S WIFE NOT YET RECEIVED HERE ALTHOUGH LOCAL CONSUL HAS MADE TWO OFFICIAL REQUESTS OF CONSULATE HAVA. VAIVADA DOES NOT WANT LEAVE WITHOUT HER AND WANTS HER ACQUIRE CITIZENSHIP FOR OWN PROTECTION IN FUTURE. STATION UNABLE PRESSURE LOCAL CONSULATE UNTIL FILE RECEIVED HERE.

2. VIEW ABOVE NOT FEASIBLE FOR VAIVADA LEAVE ON 18 MARCH. STATION HOPES WIFES VISA CASE WILL BE SETTLED BY 24 MARCH.

END OF MESSAGE

Answered 15 March

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DATE: 18 MARCH 57

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TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

INFO: FI/RI 2, S/C 2

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ROUTINE

IN 19663

TO PRITY SANJ INFO DIR CITE HAVA 841

RE: DIR Ø7482 (OUT 86223)

1. CONSULATE ADVISES VAIVADA AS WIFE'S DOSSIER AIR POUCHED SANJ VIA WASH 8 MARCH. SHOULD HAVE ARRIVED BY NOW.

2. REQUEST SANJ ADVISE FLIGHT AND TIME ARRIVAL VAIVADA HAVA.

END OF MESSAGE

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

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IN 16366

ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: HAVA INFO: DIR CITE: SANJ 2491

RE: HAVA 826 (IN 15237)

1. VAIVADA ADVISES SO FAR HE KNOWS NO OTHER CONTACT KNOWS TELEPHONE NUMBER. HAS NEVER REVEALED NUMBER TO ANY ONE AND HAS NEVER WRITTEN IT.

2. RE GARAGE ADDRESS, ONLY KNOWS IT IS A "DIAMOND-T AGENCY GARAGE" LOCATED SOMEWHERE ON CALLE 2Ø DE OCTUBRE. SUGGESTS PR DUE BE REVIEWED FOR POSSIBLE PINPOINTING ADDRESS AND PHOTO.

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8 March 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Office of Security

VIA: Chief, CI/CA

SUBJECT: Arthur G. VAIVADA (sp.)
C-25507

1. Reference is made to OS's verbal request of 7 March 1957, for additional information on Subject in connection with our request for a Provisional Covert Security Approval dated 26 February 1957.

2. Subject was born in De Kalb, Illinois, on 20 June 1922. He received his primary and high school education in De Kalb and entered the U. S. Army in 1940, later transferring to the U. S. Air Force. He served as an operations and intelligence specialist, first in the China-Burma theater and later in Panama. He was discharged from the service in 1945 with the grade of Technical Sergeant. After his discharge, he worked for a brief period as a laboratory technician in the Sterling (Illinois) Silica-Gel Corporation and then returned to the Panama Canal Zone to marry a Costa Rican girl in December 1945. For about four months he worked as a stevedore and labor foreman in the Canal Zone. In April 1946 he re-enlisted in the Air Force in the Canal Zone and was discharged three years later, in 1949.

3. Late in 1948 he was recruited by the Agency, and on 1 June 1949 became a CIA contract agent. Since that date, he has served as a contract agent with continuing high level performance, first in Costa Rica, later in Guatemala and Cuba. He is currently assigned to Cuba where he is utilized as Principal Agent of Project AMHORARCH. Subject has worked principally and successfully so, on Communist Party penetration operations since his engagement with CIA, and his current work involves the handling of a net of agents providing coverage of Communist, leftist, revolutionary and other political activities at the University of Habana, and the student-youth circles in general in Cuba.

4. Subject has always proven to be loyal and trustworthy. In view of his outstanding record and strong overall qualifications, and his expressed desire for a career with CIA, it has been recommended he be converted from contract to career agent status. He was promoted recently to the equivalent of a GS-10 rating.

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5. Subject's spouse, a Costa Rican citizen, has expressed desire to acquire U. S. citizenship, and has now made the necessary arrangements to accompany her husband to the U. S. for this purpose, when Subject returns for Covert training at Headquarters in the very near future.

6. Covert Security Approval, with an expedite Provisional Covert Security Approval, has been requested in connection with the recommendation to convert Subject from contract to staff status.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

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TO : SAN JOSE

FROM : HAVANA

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IN 15237

ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: SANJ

CITE: HAVA 826

REQUEST SANJ CABLE VAIVADA REPLIES TO FOLLOWING: WHO AMONG HQS HAVA CONTACTS COULD ALSO KNOW TELEPHONE F-5019? GIVE DETAILED ADDRESS GARAGE WHERE JOAQUIN MARTINEZ VELASQUEZ, JS CONTACT, WORKS AND CAN BE REACHED.

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ROUTINE

IN 11647

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

INFO: CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

TO DIR INFO: HAVA CITE SANJ 2474

REF DIR Ø3998 (OUT 79438)

1. VAIVADA PREFERS CAREER STATUS ALTHOUGH SOMEWHAT CONCERNED FUTURE JOB SECURITY. WANTS WIFE ACQUIRE CITIZENSHIP AND HAS ALREADY DISCUSSED IMMIGRATION VISA WITH LOCAL CONSUL WHO HAS CABLED HAVA CONSULATE FOR DOSSIER ON WIFE.

2. WILL TAKE WIFE WITH HIM TO ZRMETAL BUT WILL LEAVE TWO CHILDREN HERE WITH WIFE'S FAMILY. TENTATIVE ETD 23 MARCH.

3. TIME ELEMENT IN OBTAINING WIFE'S VISA ONLY PROBLEM PRESENT TIME. HHHW 2Ø92 NOT YET RECEIVED.

4. FOR HAVA. REQUEST AUTHORIZATION PAY VAIVADA SALARY FOR FEB. ADVISE AMOUNT DUE HIM. ALSO REQUEST YOU ATTEMPT EXPEDITE FORWARDING DOSSIER ON WIFE.

END OF MESSAGE

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, S/C 2

REC'D CABLE SECT.
IN 11760

ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: HAVA INFO: DIR CITE: SANJ 2476

RE: HAVA 811 (IN 49266)
DIR 03998 (OUT 79438)
SANJ 2474 (IN 11647)

OPERATIONAL MEMO DATED 26 FEBRUARY, PREPARED BY VAIVADA BEING POUCHED HAVA AS SEPARATE COVER ATTACHMENT TO HRSA-2602.

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REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION AND APPROVAL

DATE: 26 February 1957

PROJECT:

TO: CI/Operational Approval and Support Division

FROM: (Division) WH/III/CUBA

SUBJECT	CI/OA FILE NO.	SO FILE NO.
TRUE NAME	C-25507	
CRYPTONYM OR PSEUDONYM: Arthur G. VAIVADA		

TYPE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE:

USE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE (Full details)

Subject has served CIA in a contract capacity since 1949, with a continuous high level of performance. He is currently assigned to Cuba, where he is being utilized as the Principal Agent for Project AMPHODARCH. Project AMPHODARCH is an FI operation designed to provide information on political activities (including Communist) in university circles in Havana, Cuba. In view of his outstanding record and strong overall qualifications, and his expressed desire for a career with CIA, it has been recommended he be converted from contract to career agent status.

TYPE ACTION REQUESTED

	PROVISIONAL APPROVAL	—	PROVISIONAL COVERT SECURITY APPROVAL
	OPERATIONAL APPROVAL	X	COVERT SECURITY APPROVAL
	GOVERNMENT NAME CHECK		PROPRIETARY APPROVAL
	SPECIAL INQUIRY (SO field investigation)		OTHER:

PRQ AND GREEN LIST STATUS

X	PRQ I, OR EQUIVALENT, IS ATTACHED IN TWO COPIES		PRQ II WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED
	PRQ II IS ATTACHED, IF OBTAINABLE		GREEN LIST CHECK HAS BEEN INITIATED

FIELD TRACES

X	REVEAL NO INFORMATION OF VALUE		WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN RECEIVED
	REVEAL INFORMATION AS ATTACHED		NOT INITIATED. NOT EXPECTED TO POSSESS RELEVANT INFO.

SUGGESTED INVESTIGATIVE COVER

	GOVERNMENT		ACADEMIC
	COMMERCIAL		OTHER:

RI TRACES				DIVISION TRACES			
X	RECORD (Not derogatory)		NO RECORD	X	RECORD (Not derogatory)		NO RECORD

INDICATE SPECIAL LIMITATIONS ON INVESTIGATION OR SPECIAL COVERAGE DESIRED

SUBJECT	IS	X	AWARE	UNAWARE OF CIA INTEREST
			AWARE	UNAWARE OF U.S. GOVERNMENT INTEREST
			AWARE	UNAWARE OF IMPENDING INVESTIGATION
	HAS		BEEN	NOT BEEN BRIEFED ON A "COVER STORY"

SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER	EXTENSION	SIGNATURE OF BRANCH CHIEF
Hugh O. MacAuley	2056 1021 Barton	W. Galbraith 201-168851

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : SAN JOSE

ACTION: WH 5

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ROUTINE

IN 10068

TO HAVA INFO: DIR CITE SANJ 2471

RE: HAVA 803 (IN 48050)

22 FEB VAIVADA CONTACTED BURNETTE FOR WHO HE WORKED IN WSBURNT.

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Mr. Arthur G. Vaivada

Dear Mr. Vaivada:

Reference is made to your contract with the United States Government, as represented by the Contracting Officer, effective 1 August 1954, as amended.

Effective ____________________, said contract, as amended, is further amended by the addition of sub-paragraph (e) to paragraph three (3) entitled "Travel" which reads as follows:

"(e) For temporary storage of your household effects while you are temporarily absent from your initial permanent post of duty hereunder."

Effective 19 February 1957, said contract is further amended by deleting paragraph one (1) entitled "Compensation" in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

"1. Compensation. In full consideration for the purchase of certain information and services, you will receive from the Government, payable in such an approved manner as you may direct in writing, the following:

(a) Compensation calculated at the rate of $5915 per annum; and

(b) Additional compensation for quarters procurement at San Jose, effective upon your arrival thereat in an amount calculated at the rate of $3000 per annum. As this additional compensation is based upon quarters costs at said post, it is subject to unilateral adjustment by the Government whenever warranted by a change in the factors affecting its initial establishment. Quarters will not be furnished you by the Government nor will you accept quarters provided by your cover facility without prior amendment of this agreement."

All other terms and conditions of the contract, as amended, remain in full force and effect.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

BY ____________________
Contracting Officer

APPROVED:

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ORIG : J.B. NOLAND 611

UNIT : WH/III/CUBA

EXT : 2056

DATE : 18 FEBRUARY 1957

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TO : HAVANA INFO: SANJ

FROM : DIRECTOR

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	X	ROUTINE		OPERATIONAL IMMEDIATE	INITIALS

OUT 78042

TO HAVA INFO SANJ CITE DIR 03253

REF HAVA 801 (IN 47267)

VAIVADA SHOULD CONTACT MR WILLIAM CLYONS IN SANJ.

FYI FUTURE PLANS, VAIVADA TRAINING HQS COULD START

25 MARCH. INDICATE AT ONCE IF DESIRABLE

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D. C. MARELIUS, AC/WHD
for J.C.KING, C/WHD
RELEASING OFFICER

COORDINATING OFFICERS

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W. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III
AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

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IN 48050

ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: SANJ INFO: DIR CITE: HAVA 803

REF HAVA 801 (IN 47267)

VAIVADA AND FAMILY ARRIVING SANJ 18 FEB. WILL CONTACT COS THEREAFTER.

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FROM : HAVANA

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IN 47267

ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE

TO: DIR

CITE: HAVA 801

RE: HAVA 799 (IN 46908)

1. PRESS 15 FEB IDENTIFIES MAN FOUND SHOT TO DEATH AS AMPHODARCH 1.

2. AGENT KNEW ARTHUR G VAIVADA TRUE NAME AND RESIDENCE. DUE THIS AND AS PRECAUTION STATION ADVANCING VAIVADA AND FAMILY FUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE EMERGENCY TRAVEL THEIR HOME SANJ WHERE WILL STAY AT LEAST UNTIL CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES RESTORED CUBA. WILL ADVISE DEVELOPMENTS.

END OF MESSAGE

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OFFICIAL DISPATCH

VIA A I R (Specify Air or Sea Pouch)

DISPATCH NO. HKH-W-2092

201-32723

CLASSIFICATION

TO Chief of Station, Habana

DATE 8 FEB 57 15 00 z

FROM Chief, WHD

SUBJECT { GENERAL Administrative
SPECIFIC Arthur G. VAIVADA

References: a. HKH-A-3314
b. HKH-W-1905
c. HKH-A-2577

Action Required: Notify Headquarters if Any Objection to Action Para. 3

1. Headquarters has no objection to the postponement of VAIVADA's training until the end of the current contract year (July-August 1957), and has cancelled immediate training arrangements accordingly. The Station should submit a new request several months prior to the desired new training dates.

2. There has been a change, meanwhile, in Headquarters thinking on the proposed conversion of VAIVADA to Staff status. Upon reviewing the case, the responsible Headquarters staff suggested that career agent status would be more appropriate and recommended that the requested personnel action be changed accordingly. The Staff pointed out that virtually all benefits which would accrue to VAIVADA under staff status are also obtainable as a career agent. These include Civil Service Retirement, Sick and Annual Leave, Home Leave Travel, Periodic Step Increases, and coverage under the Federal Employment Compensation and Missing Persons Acts. He would also be eligible for certain KUBARK insurance plans, subject to security and other special considerations. The one exception is that VAIVADA would remain on a contract basis, meaning that his job security would be somewhat less than that of staff personnel. His contract would be for an indefinite period, however, and his job security would closely approximate that of a staff agent.

3. In discussing VAIVADA's conversion, the reviewing staff also noted that VAIVADA would not necessarily be granted staff status, even though his wife were to become a U.S. citizen, and would definitely not qualify for same at this time. In view of this development and the generally favorable benefits accruing to a career agent, the Division has resubmitted its conversion request to provide for career rather than

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staff status, at Grade GS-11. It is felt that the career status provides most, if not all, of the benefits sought for VAIVADA in HKH-A-2577. It will now be unnecessary, moreover, for Mrs. VAIVADA to acquire U.S. citizenship, although Headquarters stands ready to facilitate acquisition of same if the VAIVADAs so desire.

4. Should there be any objection, on the part of the Station or VAIVADA, to this latest proposal, Headquarters would appreciate an early indication to that effect, in order that other arrangements might be made. It would appear at this time, however, that the proposed career status is the most favorable that VAIVADA could expect.

John T. Flynn
J. C. KING
Chief, WHD

5 February 1957

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John T. Flynn
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(Releasing Officer)

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(Authenticating Officer)

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CONTRACT INFORMATION AND CHECK LIST

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete all items, inserting "NA" when items are not applicable. Forward original and one copy for preparation of contract.

CASE OFFICER: James B. Noland

DIVISION: WH/III

TELEPHONE EXTENSION: 2056, 2971

DATE: 30 January 1957

SECTION I — GENERAL

1. NAME [X] PSEUDO [ ] TRUE
Arthur G. VAIVADA

2. PROJECT: AMPHODARCH

3. ALLOTMENT NO.: 3517-014

4. SLOT NO.:

5. PREVIOUS CIA PSEUDONYM OR ALIASES: NA

6. INDIVIDUAL IS PRESENTLY ENGAGED, OR HAS BEEN ENGAGED BY CIA OR ITS ALLIED ACTIVITIES IN SOME CAPACITY [X] YES [ ] NO (If yes, describe and include salary) (OVER) Subject first recruited in Panama as [illegible] in November 1948; transferred to Costa Rica in [illegible] Project Subsequently was transferred to BIRADIAL Project and PBSUCCESS.

7. SECURITY CLEARANCE (Type and date): Operational Clearance - 19 July 1954

8. CONTRACT IS TO BE WRITTEN IN STERILE FORM I.E., "U.S. GOVERNMENT" [XX] YES [ ] NO

9. INDIVIDUAL WILL WORK UNDER "CONTROLLED CONDITIONS" I.E., REGULAR OFFICE HOURS AWAY FROM SUBJECT'S HOME AND PERFORMED UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A STAFF EMPLOYEE OR STAFF AGENT [ ] YES [XX] NO

10. PROPOSED CATEGORY (Contract agent, contract employee, etc.): Career Agent

SECTION II — PERSONAL DATA

11. CITIZENSHIP: U.S.

12. IF NOT U.S. CITIZEN, INDIVIDUAL IS A PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN [ ] YES [ ] NO

13. AGE: 34

14. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day, year): 20 June 1922

15. LEGAL RESIDENCE (City and state or country): Sterling, Illinois

16. CURRENT RESIDENCE (City and state or country): Habana, Cuba

17. MARITAL STATUS (Check as appropriate): [ ] SINGLE [XX] MARRIED [ ] WIDOWED [ ] ANNULLED [ ] SEPARATED [ ] DIVORCED

18. NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS (Not including individual) RELATIONSHIP: Three dependents: wife and two children

19. INDIVIDUAL IS RELATED TO A STAFF EMPLOYEE, STAFF AGENT OR AN INDIVIDUAL CURRENTLY WORKING FOR THE AGENCY IN SOME CAPACITY [ ] YES [XX] NO
RELATIONSHIP:

SECTION III — U.S. MILITARY STATUS

20. RESERVE:

21. VETERAN: World War II

22. IF RETIRED, INDICATE CATEGORY (Longevity, combat disability service disability non-combat):

23. BRANCH OF SERVICE: USA and USAF

24. RANK OR GRADE: T/Sgt.

25. DRAFT ELIGIBLE [ ] YES [XX] NO

26. DRAFT DEFERMENT OBTAINED BY CIA [ ] YES [ ] NO

SECTION IV — COMPENSATION

27. BASIC SALARY: $6,390.00 GS-11

28. POST DIFFERENTIAL:

29. COVER (Breakdown, if any):

30. TAXES TO BE WITHHELD BY COVER [ ] YES [ ] NO

SECTION V — ALLOWANCES (NORMALLY GRANTED ONLY TO RESIDENTS OF THE UNITED STATES)

31. $2,400.00 (non-taxable)

32. POST:

33. OTHER: Equalization Allowance - $2,620.00 (non-taxable)

34. COVER (Breakdown, if any): NA

SECTION VI — TRAVEL

35. TYPES [XX] PCS [ ] DOMESTIC OPERATIONAL [ ] FOREIGN OPERATIONAL

36. WITH DEPENDENTS [XX] YES [ ] NO

37. HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS TO BE SHIPPED [XX] YES [ ] NO

38. PERSONAL VEHICLE TO BE SHIPPED [XX] YES [ ] NO

39. TRANSPORTED VEHICLE TO BE USED FOR OPERATIONAL TRAVEL [XX] YES [ ] NO

40. IF WITH DEPENDENTS STATE RELATIONSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, AGE AND DATE OF BIRTH

Wife - Costa Rican (expects obtain U.S. citizenship in near future)
Born 15 March 1918 - 38 years of age. Married to Subject since 1945

Son - U.S. Citizen, 7 years of age.

Daughter - U.S. Citizen, 5 years of age.

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41. PAYMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY WILL BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH [XX] CIA REGULATIONS [ ] COVER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

SECTION VII — OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

42. PURCHASE OF INFORMATION: X

43. ENTERTAINMENT:

44. OTHER: Normal operational expenses of field

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30 January 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, FI

SUBJECT : Request for Conversion of Arthur G. VAIVADA from Contract to Career Agent Status

REFERENCE : HKH-A-2577

1. Referenced dispatch from the field recommends the conversion of contract agent Arthur G. VAIVADA to staff status and presents a strong case for such conversion. Upon receiving a formal WHD request for such action, however, your Plans Staff suggested that career agent status would be more appropriate in this case, and further indicated that staff status for VAIVADA is virtually out of the question at this time. The request is being re-submitted, therefore, in revised form to provide for conversion to career rather than staff status.

2. VAIVADA has served CIA in a contract capacity since 1949, with a continuous high level of performance; first in Costa Rica, later in Guatemala and Cuba. He is currently assigned to Cuba and is expected to remain there indefinitely. VAIVADA is 34 years old and was promoted recently to the equivalent of a GS-10 rating. His expressed career interests lie in continued employment by CIA, more especially in the area of unofficial cover assignments, for which he is highly suited.

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3. In view of VAIVADA's outstanding record as a contract agent, his strong overall qualifications, and his expressed desire for a career with CIA, it is recommended that he be granted career agent status. A PHS and a new contract check list (in duplicate) are attached.

4. WH Division contemplates bringing VAIVADA to the U.S. for covert training during the latter part of 1957.

5. Approval for the conversion of VAIVADA from contract to career agent status, as indicated above, is hereby requested.

J. C. KING
Chief, Western Hemisphere Division

Attachments
PHS (2)
Contract Check List (2)

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CONTRACT INFORMATION AND CHECK LIST (CONTINUED)

NOTE: SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON FIRST SHEET.

CASE OFFICER: James B. Noland
DIVISION: WH/III
TELEPHONE EXTENSION: 2971, 2036
DATE: 30 January 1957

SECTION VIII — OTHER BENEFITS

46. BENEFITS (See Part XIV of Confidential Fund Regulations or successor regulations for benefits applicable to various categories of contract personnel. If medical benefits are requested, see R 15-430 or successor regulations.)

FECA
Missing Persons
Retirement
CIA Sick and Annual Leave
Home Leave Travel
Periodic Step Increases

SECTION IX — COVER ACTIVITY

47. STATUS (Check): PROPOSED [ ] ESTABLISHED [X]

48. TYPE (Check): PROPRIETARY [ ] SUBSIDIZED [ ] CULTURAL [X] EDUCATIONAL [ ] COMMERCIAL [ ] MILITARY [ ] TOURIST [ ] OTHER [ ]

49. IF COVER PAYMENTS ARE CONTEMPLATED, THEY WILL BE EFFECTED ON REIMBURSABLE BASIS: YES [ ] NO [XX] COMPLETE [ ] PARTIAL [ ]

SECTION X — OFFSET OF INCOME

50. OFFSET OF INCOME AND OTHER EMOLUMENTS DERIVED FROM COVER ACTIVITIES (If less than total, justify in separate memo attached hereto.): TOTAL [XX] PARTIAL [ ] NONE [ ]

SECTION XI — TERM

51. DURATION: Infinite (DAYS / MONTHS / YEARS)

52. EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate

53. RENEWABLE: YES [X] NO [ ]

54. TERMINATION NOTICE (Number of days): Ninety Days

55. FORFEITURE OF RETURN TRAVEL FOR RESIGNATION PRIOR TO CONTRACT TERMINATION: YES [X] NO [ ]

SECTION XII — FUNCTION

56. PRIMARY FUNCTION (FI, PP, other): FI Operations

SECTION XIII — DUTIES

57. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED

Principal agent engaged in collection of positive intelligence and CE information.

SECTION XIV — QUALIFICATIONS

58. EXPERIENCE

Army and Air Force Intelligence. CIA Training. Other as indicated in Number 6, above.

59. EDUCATION (Check Highest Level Attained): GRADE SCHOOL [X] HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE [X] TRADE SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] BUSINESS SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] COMMERCIAL SCHOOL GRADUATE [ ] COLLEGE (No degree) [ ] COLLEGE DEGREE [X] POST GRADUATE [ ] MA [ ] PHD [ ]

60. LANGUAGE COMPETENCY (Check Appropriate Degree Competency)

LANGUAGE	SPEAK: FLUENT	SPEAK: AVERAGE	SPEAK: POOR	WRITE: FLUENT	WRITE: AVERAGE	WRITE: POOR	READ: FLUENT	READ: AVERAGE	READ: POOR
Spanish	X				X		X		

61. INDIVIDUAL'S COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: U.S.A.

62. AREA KNOWLEDGE

Very good.

SECTION XV — PRIOR EMPLOYMENT

63. JOB AND SALARY PRIOR TO SERVICE FOR CIA

1940-1945: T/Sgt. USA, USAF, Intelligence NCO.
Jan. 1945 - April 1946: Leading man labor, $12.88 per day, US Naval Air Station, Coco Solo, Canal Zone
April 1946 - April 1949: T/Sgt USAF, Intelligence NCO, Albrook Field, Canal Zone
April 1949 - Present: Contact agent.

SECTION XVI — ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

64. ADDITIONAL OR UNUSUAL REQUIREMENTS, JUSTIFICATIONS OR EXPLANATIONS (Use other side if necessary)

APPROVAL

DATE	TYPED NAME & SIGNATURE OF DIVISION OFFICER	DATE
	H. GALBRAITH, C/WH/III	

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DATE: 15 JAN 57

TO: DIRECTOR

FROM: HAVANA

ACTION: WH 5

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ROUTINE

IN 34563

TO DIR INFO CITE HAVA 755

REF: HAVA 745 (IN 32122)

REQUEST TRAINING BE POSTPONED INDEFINITELY. EXPLANATORY DISPATCH FOLLOWS.

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : HAVANA

IN 32122

ACTION: WH 5

INFO : FI/RI 2, CP 2, S/C 2

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TO: DIR

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, WH

ATTENTION: Chief, WH/III

SUBJECT: Covert Training Request for Arthur G. VAIVADA

REFERENCE: Project AMPHODARCH

1. Reference is made to your memorandum dated 4 December 1956 requesting covert training for Arthur G. VAIVADA.

2. The CI Staff approves the training request subject to the comments and recommendations set forth in the attached memorandum prepared by CI/ICD under date of 20 December 1956.

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James Angleton
Chief, Counter Intelligence Staff

Attachment:
C/CI/ICD memo dtd 20 Dec. 56 - Subject; Comments and Recommendations on Proposed Covert Training of Arthur G. VAIVADA

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